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THE BEST TOWN, THE BEST PEOPLE AND THE BEST CLIMATE---THAT'S ST. CLOUD



ST. CLOUD TEMPERATURE		
Nov. 29	Min.	Max.
Nov. 29	57	82
Nov. 30	58	83
Dec. 1	59	82
Dec. 2	52	82
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Dec. 4	56	75
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New City Light Plant

Now in Operation

Spring to See Finest Army Ever Known

Commissioners Call For Bids To Build Road and Sell Bonds

On Saturday last the new city electric light plant went into operation. Mayor Shambow pulled the lever that started the great giant of an engine in motion. One slight pull of the throttle which admitted the compressed air into the cylinders, and another little twist of the oil inlet valve, and this modern monster unwound itself and began pouring out the current that makes night into day, in brightest parlor and darkest cellar alike.

Only one engine is in use as yet, but this is more than sufficient to produce the current necessary. The old plant has shut up shop, the doors are locked, and Engineer Mike Peterson, who has nursed and watched faithfully over it, has transferred his base of operations to the new station.

It goes without saying that now the city will be able to connect up all the houses that are wired and supply the juice necessary to give them lights, and we are now also assured a permanent run of the plant, as the shortage of coal will not affect the new plant's operation. The engines installed are of the semi-Diesel type, consuming crude oil, a supply of which is always to be had, and for which the new equipment has room for a considerable supply.

In fine, our trouble with lights, or rather, our lack of lights, is now nil, and we can once more adjust our old Morris chair at about a ninety-degree angle, lean back with magazine in fond embrace, and devour its contents without fear of interruption by a sudden transition from brightness into gloom.

MAYOR SHAMBOW ENTERTAINS OLD FRIENDS AND COMRADES AT DINNER

Thanksgiving Day was fittingly observed at the home of Mayor and Mrs. Shambow, on which occasion was present as guest of honor the mayor's old-time friend and comrade, W. W. Hall, past department commander, G. A. R. A real and genuine Western home dinner was served by Mrs. Shambow, and after regaling themselves, the party settled down to "comfah" on olden days. The personnel of the party was such as would insure a series of delightful reminiscences pertaining to the "building of the West," as they are all of that great, wide empire.

Those who formed this delightful party were, in addition to those named above, Mrs. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Doty, Comrades B. F. Munsell and Theo. Ham.

REGISTRANTS MUST ENLIST BEFORE DECEMBER 12th

No Man Registered Will Be Allowed To Enlist After that Date

We have been requested to publish the following telegram which was received by Recruiting Officer H. C. Collins, who will be in Kissimmee the next two or three weeks:

Jacksonville, Fla.
Recruiting Officer,
Kissimmee, Fla.

Following for your information and guidance, between November and December 15th. It is to afford registrants as wide an opportunity as possible to enlist in both army and navy, therefore any registrant, even though he has been called by his local board to report for physical examination, may enlist until December 15th upon presentation of a certificate from his local board that he will not be needed to fill any deferred percentage of the quota of the board. Stations and canvassers will not accept applicants as above after December 12th. Give widest publicity and notify newspapers.

CLEMENTS.

For any further information and particulars regarding enlistment, see H. C. Collins at the Manhattan Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Romans and son, T. D. Romans, came through from Norton, Kansas, by auto, arriving here the 30th of November. Mr. Romans and son are camping out during and Mrs. Romans will spend the winter with her friend, Mrs. Colvin, at Indiana and 11th street.

CROSS MARKED O. K. SENT BY LOCAL RED CROSS MARKED O. K.

LOCAL WOMEN ARE ENTHUSED OVER SUCCESS OF EFFORTS

From a letter just received by Mrs. L. D. Frost, ex-chairman of the St. Luke's Episcopal unit, friends of St. Cloud Red Cross will be pleased to hear that the two boxes of hospital supplies recently sent were received and awarded "standard" recognition by the inspection bureau of the Southern division of the American Red Cross. All articles sent were marked. These two boxes contained the following:

Thirty-five pairs of knitted wristlets.
Forty-eight knitted face cloths.
Twenty-two linen tray cloths.
Twenty-three Indian head tray cloths.
Eighteen Indian head napkins.
Nine dust cloths.
Eighteen new handkerchiefs.
Five embroidered handkerchiefs.
Twelve medicine glass covers.
Seventeen pin balls.
Two pairs wool socks.
Twenty-two comfort pillows.
Forty-four comfort pillow cases.

The furnishing of these boxes were chiefly by donations of materials by members of the unit and cash gifts from personal friends. The expressage and also the filling of forty Christmas kits for a third box was paid from the same fund.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

A very pleasant Thanksgiving dinner was enjoyed at the home of Mrs. Chase on Pennsylvania avenue. At about 11 a. m. the guests began to arrive and in a short time these had been transferred to tables which had the appearance of coming from a land of plenty. The dining room was decorated with wild flowers, in harmony with the occasion, and when all was in readiness Mr. J. P. Barber gave thanks for the many blessings we enjoy. During the next half hour eating and social chat was the main object of the gathering, all doing justice to the delicious viands provided by the good ladies. Whilst the dear wives were clearing the wreckage the husbands were puffing away at the fragrant weed, and then a time of interesting stories, which rounded out a most delightful afternoon, all voting Mrs. Chase a charming hostess.

Those present came from many of the states, as will be noted by the list: Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Merrill, Rumsey, California.

Mary F. Wykes, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lippincott, Mrs. Anna McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. George Barber, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Furner, of Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schwinden, of Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. David Bluebaugh, of Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. S. Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Barber, of Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall of Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Barden, of Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Barber and L. H. Barber, of West Virginia.

E. M. Davidson, of Cuba.

Dr. M. B. Cushman of California.

Mrs. Slawson of Montana, and Mrs. Nellie Chase of Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fisher, of Provincetown, Mass., arrived in St. Cloud on Thanksgiving Day, and have arranged to remain for the winter. They made the journey by rail to Jacksonville, thence by auto, via Ormond. They were of our number last winter, and it must be that St. Cloud and its climate appeals to their idea of a perfect winter, as is evidenced by their return. Mrs. Marion Weeks, their daughter, with little son, Stillman, is with them, and are occupying a cottage on Seventeenth and Connecticut.

The beginning of winter finds the work of training going on at full blast in a hundred camps and stations.

Not far from half of the total number of men training are encamped in the big National Army cantonments. In these the United States has sixteen new cities, each as large as Sacramento or New Britain or Davenport or Macon.

Sixteen camps, nearly as big as the cantonments, but not built so durably, are housing the National Guard divisions.

Two hundred and fifty thousand men have joined the regulars since the war broke out. There are seventeen regular army stations and camps being used for the training of these recruits.

Seventeen stations are engaged in training men for the navy, and marines are being turned out in three more.

Not all the aviation fields have been finished, but in a dozen of them cool headed young men are being taught to fight in the air.

Nine camps have just rounded off the second increment of officers for the Reserve Corps.

Five medical camps are in operation and three camps for engineers.

All of the larger camps have been built in the last six months. The biggest of them, the National Army cantonments, were built in three months at a total cost of \$150,000,000. One a little over twice as much was required to build the Panama Canal—and that took ten years.

Something between six hundred and seven hundred million feet of lumber went into the National Army cantonments. The figure for all of the army camps is about one billion feet.

In population the camps range from 500 to 47,000. The men in a flying camp may know one another as men know one another in a small college. One of the larger cantonments, on the other hand, contains more men than can be crowded into the Polo Grounds or Comiskey Park.

A good average crowd for a world series game is 30,000. Such a crowd is enough to swamp a half dozen car lines. All the men in one of the National Army cantonments would make a crowd half again as large.

Living conditions in the camps may not be quite up to the top of the American standard. But it can be safely said that no large army of soldiers was ever housed so comfortably before. There will be no freezing this winter. Four of the cantonments situated farthest north have steam heat. The rest have to put up with hot air systems. But an American army spent a winter at Valley Forge once without even a hot air system.

FIRST NUMBER OF LYCEUM COURSE

Those who were so unfortunate as to be unable to attend the first number of the Lyceum Course last Tuesday evening missed a rare treat, for the entertainment given by the three young ladies was one of the best ever given in St. Cloud. All were musicians of exceptional talent, especially the whistler, who was above the average. Her first number was "The Mocking Bird," with variations and imitations of the California mocking bird, which were so true and accurate that it seemed as though a real bird was singing. The soprano was excellent, and her numbers, assisted by the others in costume of "ye olden times" was well liked by the audience. The unusual readings by the reader were very pleasing. The Hawaiian harp and ukulele were introduced by these musicians in their playing and singing some of the latest popular songs. Altogether the program was exceptionally fine, as will be the other three to be given later.

Tickets for these three can be purchased at the Rembrandt Pharmacy for \$1.00. The best seats are going fast and everyone who enjoys good music should avail themselves of the opportunity.

A regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held at the Clerk's office Monday, December 3, with all members present.

There was not a great deal of business before the board at this meeting, and with the usual promptness and dispatch, all routine matters were soon disposed of, and there being but little special work for their attention, were enabled to complete their deliberations by about, or shortly after noon.

A committee of citizens from St. Cloud appeared before the board and requested that, since the bonds for the special road and bridge district in which that territory was situated had been validated, that the board at once proceed to advertise the bonds for sale and also advertise the board's intention of letting the contracts for the construction work, which request was

taken up by the board and duly acted upon.

The bonds, to the amount of \$275,000, recently voted, having been validated, the county commissioners ordered that bids be called for the building of the road, which covers a distance of approximately 38 miles, from the canal, west of the city, to the Brevard county line, to which point that county already has completed her stretch of the road, including a new bridge across the St. Johns river. This will give us a stretch of as clean and smooth a road as can be found anywhere in the United States of about 52 miles, a fact worth pondering on. The call for bids specifies bituminous concrete, in compliance with the choice expressed by the voters in the election.

At the same sitting the commissioners called for bids on the purchase of

the bonds. The bids will be opened at the next meeting of the board, January the 12th.

Thus at the next meeting of the commissioners will the mighty effort put forth by the citizens of this district bear fruit—the fruit they have been coveting for a space of several years—a road to the East Coast. The bids will be opened, contracts let, and the bonds sold to the highest and best bidder, and, within a reasonable length of time material will be arriving at both ends of the highway-to-be, and actual construction started. The quality of the road is assured, as keen and foresighted citizens of this district have seen to it that the State Road Department will have full charge of its construction. This arrangement will give us the advantage of the knowledge and experience of the state's experts on things pertaining to roads, an item indeed worth appreciating.

The commissioners also renewed their subscription to six hundred copies of the Tribune to be mailed weekly to people residing in the North. This move is in line with the board's usual publicity campaign.

COUNTY-WIDE ACTIVITY IN RED CROSS WORK

Mr. S. Brammar, local chairman of the St. Cloud Red Cross, has received the following letter, which is self-explanatory:

Dear Sir—The Kissimmee Chapter, American Red Cross, has made arrangements for a big mass meeting to be held at the Casino building in Kissimmee, on the evening of December 9, 1917, at 7:30 o'clock.

These arrangements include the closing of all the churches for that evening in order that every one may attend this meeting, and it is hoped that we will have a large attendance from all over the county, as it is meant to be a county meeting rather than a local meeting.

We will have several speakers for the occasion and will endeavor to let everyone know just what has been done by the Red Cross in the line of work accomplished since its organization.

The people of St. Cloud are urgently invited to attend and we promise to make this meeting as interesting to you as we can possibly make it.

Sincerely yours, JOHN S. CADEL,

Chairman.

Neal Bartlett, who has been connected with the postoffice here, left on Monday last to Jacksonville to report to the navy's recruiting officer. Neal volunteered for that branch of the service and has been accepted. One more of St. Cloud's young men to be added to the honor roll. Truly, St. Cloud has furnished her full quota of men for this war.

ST. CLOUD BOY DISTINGUISHES SELF AS PIG RAISER

Tuesday morning of this week four members of the Osceola County Boys' Pig and Corn Club left for Gainesville, Fla., to attend the short course at the University of Florida. These are boys of whom it can be said truthfully that "actions speak louder than words," for they are all doing things and not talking them. Members of these clubs grow the feed for their pigs and then by feeding the pigs cut the H. C. I. down.

The members of the Osceola County Club leaving this week for Gainesville to study improved methods of farming were:

Curtis Yates, Shingle Creek.
Irlo Brouson, Shingle Creek.
Tollie Simmons, St. Cloud.
Edward Campbell, Campbell Station.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Nichols, from Des Moines, Iowa, who were here two years ago, arrived in the Wonder City for a few days' visit before going on to Tampa for the winter. They will stop here en route home in the spring.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE PARTY

The beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Shaw, on Missouri avenue, was the scene of joyous festivities on the evening of November 30, it being the 70th birthday of Mr. Shaw. His friends and neighbors took the opportunity to show by their presence their love and esteem for him and his estimable wife. There were thirty-seven present, who arrived about 6:30, each gentleman giving Mr. Shaw a cigar as a souvenir. The evening was spent by the veterans in war time reminiscences and many a merry feast and happy laughter there was indulged in.

There were some recitations nicely given and a hot discussion between a lady and a gentleman on the question of equal suffrage and strange as it may seem the lady expressed herself as an anti-suffragist, while the gentleman was strongly in favor of equal suffrage.

About eight o'clock a fine birthday cake was placed on a table surrounded by seventy-nine lighted candles, and Mr. Shaw was requested to blow them out, which he did with three vigorous blasts.

Refreshments were served soon after, consisting of cake and coffee, then Mr. Shaw passed candy motto hearts, the inscriptions on them causing a lot of fun.

At about ten o'clock the merry party took their departure after hearty congratulations for Mr. Shaw, and thanks to Mrs. Shaw for a very pleasant evening.

ONE WHO WAS THERE.

A GRAND PLAY OF CINDERELLA

Mr. Constantine Carpenter, the manager of the late performance for Red Cross, is making extra preparations in securing transformations, etc. The cast will be our home talent—adults as well as children's parts. The costumes will be beautiful. We will have the prince, Cinderella, comical Pedro, fairy queen, proud sisters, the chariot, pumpkins, and the old woman in the shoe, Cinderella and little glass slipper. It will be the Christmas entertainment, to be enjoyed by all.

LOOK HERE! SHOES FOR THE BELGIAN REFUGEES!

For a limited time we will receive partially worn-out shoes for the Belgian refugees. Let them come, big or little, all are accepted that have some wear left in them. We have arranged to ship them direct to the war relief clearing house, 133 Carleton street, New York City, for E. W. Shurtliff, relief work, Paris France. Leave them at our residences, Minnesota and 13th street. O. J. Demmon and C. B. Warner, St. Cloud, Fla.

Mr. C. F. Johnson, editor of the Tribune, left for Paducah, Ky., on Monday last to attend the funeral of Mrs. Johnson's mother who passed away at that place. Mr. Johnson will return to St. Cloud with his family as soon as his affairs there can be adjusted.

Walter Stricklet and wife, who have been in Narcoossee for the past three weeks, left this morning for their home in Clark county, Illinois.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE

The ladies of the committee for the community Christmas tree are requested to meet at the New St. Cloud Hotel on Wednesday afternoon, December 12, at 2:30, to discuss their part of the arrangements for that occasion. The following ladies are on the committee:

Mesdames S. J. Triplett, Ed George, C. W. Bruns, S. W. Porter, G. H. Clark, W. H. Tunncliffe, Labor Farris, P. D. Marine, C. E. Carlson, J. A. McCarthy, L. U. Zimmerman, V. C. Lennox, G. A. Bleech, Lydia Mosher, Sadie Miller, P. E. Morgan, O. L. Buckmaster; Misses Myda Wimpey and Ruth Wylie.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church will meet with Mrs. J. G. Hill, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bert Gessford, corner Florida avenue and 14th street, Friday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. All ladies welcome.

THE METCALF MUSICAL

The musical given by Miss Ethel Metcalf, of Ruskin, Florida, assisted by Mrs. Georgetta McHargue, of the same place, was a real musical treat to music lovers. Miss Metcalf has a voice exceptionally sweet and true and gave her numbers in a very pleasing manner. Her rendering of "Romanza of Life," an arrangement of ten of Carrie Jacobs Bonds' songs, was fine and was well appreciated by the audience. She also gave three short readings by Dunbar which were pleasing.

Mrs. McHargue's piano solos were well rendered and her assistance at the piano was complimented by many.

Mrs. Elmira Westcott arrived in St. Cloud a few days ago from Pleasantville, N. J., where she has been spending the summer. Rev. Westcott arrived several weeks ago. They are now located on East Eleventh street.

THAT ST. CLOUD WEATHER

We have heard on all sides remarks about the glorious weather that we have had in St. Cloud during the month of November. In regard to this our temperature man says:

"During the month of November our coldest night was on the 24th, when the thermometer registered a minimum of 36 degrees. Since January first, 1917, there have only been three nights of colder weather (February 22nd and 23rd) the lowest temperature was 22 degrees, and February 6th, 31 degrees. The lowest averages during the eleven months were in February, when the average maximum was 71, and minimum 49, and mean 60. In November the average maximum was 72, minimum 51, mean 61.5. Thus the month of November has been within 1.5 degrees of the coldest we have had in eleven months."

We should like to have every tourist buy a St. Cloud Tribune and forward same to their friends and local paper, duly marking this item, for surely St. Cloud can have no better advertising. No better climate can be found in this state, or to our knowledge in any other state.

Miss Edith Jenness arrived in the city on Tuesday last, coming to join her mother, Mrs. Westcott. She reports a joyous summer in New Jersey.

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The Arrowsmith Home

215 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE

Central Location Modern Conveniences
WE CATER TO THE ELITE

All Outside Rooms

Open All the Year

Lake View Hotel

The Home of the Traveler

THOROUGHLY RENOVATED AND
DECORATED THIS FALL

Make Reservations Now for the Season

Rates on Application

W. T. ANGEL, Prop.

Three Blocks from the Post Office

Two Blocks West of the Depot

THINGS TO BE
THANKFUL FOR

That your girls are not boys and are not therefore filled with a consuming ambition to play football.

That your boys are not girls and will not therefore tug your digestion later with the nice little things they have learned to make at the cooking school.

That up to date none of the aviators have fallen down through your chimney flue, filling your drawing room with yells and soot.

That, thanks to the butcher having refused you a further extension of credit, that particular bill won't grow any bigger.

That, having during the year lost the last remnant of your hair, your capillary attractions have at last ceased to fall out.

That your joy-riding chauffeur having reduced your \$2,000 car to scrap iron, you are relieved of a \$3,000 annual expense in maintaining him and it.

That, whatever else happens in the way of draining your pocketbook, you won't have to draw a check for the payment of your own funeral expenses.

That your well beloved wife considers her new winter hat a dream—only tread softly lest you both wake up when the first of the month brings the whistling postman to your door with sundry requests from the little milliner.

That, having remained a poor, obscure nonentity all your days, there is no temptation for any mean-spirited, envious person to try to pull you down off your pedestal and prove to posterity that you didn't know a bean when you met one.

That, not being a woman, you don't have to wear a hobble skirt to trip you up when you go walking in public or carry your car fare in a small portemonnaie inside a wallet, wrapped up in a handkerchief, inside a chain bag inside your muff.

That, not being a man, you don't have to smoke cheap cigars, pretending that you like them better than those made of real tobacco, or think up foolish transparent explanations for having stayed at the club until 4 o'clock in the morning.—Harper's Weekly.

FLORIDA'S SIDE LINES

"A few weeks ago the continued and very unusual drought warranted the belief that the corn crop of Florida for 1917 would be a dismal failure," said the DeLand News. "Since then copious rains have fallen and the corn crop has come out wonderfully. While the yield was undoubtedly cut down, the conditions have now improved greatly and the yield will not be far below normal."

And since it is known that the acreage of corn planted this year in Florida was something more than two hundred per cent above the average, the News points out that the corn crop from this "Land of Flowers" will be between twenty-five and forty million bushels!

And Florida is not one of the "corn states" by any manner of means, according to its past record. Florida, in fact, has been thought of by the country at large as that "Flower Land," where lazy Crackers and lolling tourists each passes the time away, according to his idea of the easiest method of time-killing. Slow-moving alligators in countless and endless swamps, deep sand, through which scrawny oxen pull a two-wheeled cart, rascally hogs subsisting on the little food they find in meagre oak forests!

That is the picture that in this very day and time is in the minds of thousands of American people living in other states. They do not know that Florida grows twenty-five million bushels of corn as a side line! They do not know that on these "worthless" pine barrens in one small section of the state, a four million dollar potato crop was raised this spring. They do not know that hard surfaced roads, fine cattle and hogs, and wonderful winter truck farms are some more of the state's side lines.

The "Land of Flowers" becomes a lovelier "Land of Gardens" and a "land of big industries" it is offering opportunity and riches to the energetic people who make up its citizenship.—Miami Metropolis.

KAISER'S PRAYER ANSWERED

Sir Kaiser I am sorry
I can not grant your prayer;
The reason is so plainly seen.
From here if not from there.
You slaughtered those poor Belgians.
Who had done you no harm,
You burned their homes and children,
Ruined all their farms.
You humbled poor old Johnny Bull
And sunk his battleships;
Killed many thousand Frenchmen
And licked your bloody lips.
But say, Sir Kaiser William,
You sure did strike a snag
When you tackled my son Sammy
And then began to brag.
That you would make him pay for all
Because he had the gold;
But pride goeth before a fall.
In the good book you are told,
You ask me to help you now.
To whip my favorite child;
What has he ever done to you?
To make you get so wild?
Is it because he stands for love
And friendship to the end?
Or that he wants democracy
To rule in hearts of men?
I helped him twice lick Johnnie Bull
And naughty Spaniards too;
So now I think it's just the time
I helped him to lick you.
When my son Sam gets through with
you,
There's not enough of your men left
To raise a decent shout.
You want to be the boss of earth
But that is still my job
You've got to be put out of biz
So the world you cannot rob.
So I'll whisper to Son Sammy
Some secrets that I know
And to Davie Jones' locker
Your submarines will go.
I've thought of just the place for you
And it will suit you well.
I'll give the Devil another job
And make you the boss of Hell.

These days a doctor comes to see sick twins in a twin six.

Boost the Growth of
Sugar Cane in FloridaAGENTS OF YBOR REFINING CO.
IN GOOD WORKReceive Promises From Farmers In
Many Sections to Plant Cane and
Castor Beans.

Steps are being taken to secure a greater production of sugar cane in South Florida, along with the organization of the Ybor Refining Company. While arrangements are being completed for a line of schooners to operate between Tampa and Cuba and bring import cane from the Castanadas and other plantations on the island, to be refined here. It is also proposed to build up the sugar cane farming in this state.

S. V. M. Ybor, manager of the Florida Brewing Company, is attending to the organization end of the new corporation, while Charles N. Atkinson, as its representative, is visiting the farming communities and securing the acreage in cane that will be required for the operation of the refinery, to which purpose the brewery plant is to be converted. The Florida Syrup Co., recently organized for the manufacture of syrup from sugar cane, has been merged with the refinery organization and the two projects have been brought together. The Florida Citrus Exchange and the Florida Grower are giving full support to the development of the cane industry.

A few days ago Russell McKay, advertising manager for the Florida Grower, and Frank Whitman visited Crystal Springs and secured a number of the colonists there as recruits to the industry, signing up to plant sugar cane and selling it to the Tampa organization. They were accompanied to Crystal Springs by Mr. Atkinson, who spoke on the demands for sugar in the United States, with a constantly increasing per capita consumption. He declares that a strip of sugar cane three miles wide reaching clear across the United States would not yield sufficient cane to supply the United States.

adding that the Tampa market alone requires 25,000,000 pounds annually.

Sugar cane has always been successful in this state, he said, pointing out that the department of agriculture has found there has never been a complete failure of the crop in this state, as it resists floods and droughts and is not injured by frosts. The lighter, sandy soils of Florida produce better cane than the rich hammock lands, he says, declaring that in Hillsborough and Pasco counties, and in others in South Florida, it will grow three years at least from one planting. Florida cane is superior to that of Louisiana because the longer it stands the greater the sugar content.

The contracts signed here were for cane at \$4.75 per ton in Tampa, the price being based on raw sugar at 90 cents per ton for each cent sugar costs, which is likely to be practically stationary as sugar is not likely to go any lower. Cuban planters are not receiving as much for their cane and are growing rich. Crystal Springs farmers contracted to plant better than 100 acres of cane this year, and perhaps ten times as much the second year if the first year's crop comes up to expectations. Another meeting is to be held at Crystal Springs next Wednesday night, which will be attended by Mr. Atkinson who expects to secure a still greater acreage there.

The crushing of castor beans is another new industry which the Ybor Refining Company is introducing, and for which machinery has already been ordered. Castor beans, of the India variety, will be purchased from Florida farmers, and from them a commercial castor oil to be used for lubrication purposes in connection with airplanes and submarines will be manufactured here. The company has secured two tons of seed beans, which will be furnished farmers agreeing to sell the crop of beans to the government agent, which in this instance will be the Tampa Company, for the purpose of manufacturing the oil for government use.

According to Mr. Atkinson the India castor plant produces three crops a year in Florida, and sometimes as much as 6,000 pounds an acre, and since the price for beans is now 11½ cents the crop has great promise.—Tampa Times.

General State News Items

The Florida State Board of Medical Examiners will meet in Jacksonville Tuesday, December 4th, at the Hotel Seminole, for the purpose of examining applicants for licenses. It is understood there will be thirty applicants who want to practice in the state of Florida.

Tick areas in Florida approximating 1,100 square miles of territory are expected to be released from quarantine by the first of December. This announcement that the government will remove the quarantine will be received with much gratification by the people of Florida.

The federal grand jury has returned an indictment against State Senator Shepard, of Gadsden county. He is charged with opposing the selective draft law, in that at the last session of the legislature he stated that he did not intend to let his son register under the draft law.

It is said that hundreds of names have been dropped from the registration list in Hillsborough county. This because of the intense fight on the part of the liquor dealers to secure license to do business in that county. The outcome is watched with much interest by the people in other sections of the state.

Dunedin growing, judging from the fact that the city fathers of that charming little city are laying plans for a "white way."

The chamber of commerce at Miami is working with might and main to the end that Dade county shall have an exhibit at the state fair to be held at Jacksonville next year.

It may be that Larkin will have a canning factory. A movement is on foot to this effect, and the growers of that section are co-operating with parties in Toledo, Ohio, to that end.

Approximately 140 women of Miami have volunteered to the federal government for service in foreign fields, and about fifty for governmental service anywhere in the country. Many more are expected to volunteer.

Remarkable activity is said to be going on in the vicinity of Moore Haven as regards the planting of vegetable crops. There will be planted a larger acreage in this section than ever before.

The Florida East Coast Railway has

granted a low rate to the Deeper Waterways convention, to be held at Miami, December 27 and 28. The rate offered is one fare plus fifty cents, and as usual, half of that for children.

Miami is going to put on her Sunday clothes when the Deeper Waterways convention meets in that city the last of this month. Big preparations are under way to decorate the homes in honor of the occasion.

Building operations are on the upgrade in Fort Lauderdale. Three buildings were started there in one day quite recently. Besides these there are a number of other buildings in course of erection, in fact there is quite a building boom on in that town.

There is still much clamoring on the part of the people for the regular South Florida Fair at Tampa this winter. It has been decided to let it lapse during the war period, but at the next meeting of the management the matter will be taken up for consideration again, and it may be that it will be decided in favor of holding the fair as usual.

One of the oldest relics found in Florida in years, is on exhibition at the State Bank of Bowling Green. It is a sword and musket, relics of the battle of Okeechobee, during the Seminole war, and which occurred at Lake Okeechobee. It is in the shape of an old flint and steel musket, and also a sword which is almost three feet long, both of which were dug up on the shore last week.

The scarcity of labor is a very serious condition that is confronting the truck growers of Dade county and other sections of South Florida. Where an increase in the labor supply is to come from is a problem that the growers are up against, and one that is going to be hard to solve. On account of the stringent immigrant laws it is almost impossible to get labor from the Bahama Islands, as heretofore.

Officers of the Florida Livestock Association are arranging a party of gentlemen from all over the state to go to the International Livestock Association that meets in Chicago soon after the first of December.

The State Board of Control has granted Miss Agnes Ellen Harris a six months leave of absence from her duties as a member of the University of Florida Extension Division. During her absence she will engage in work for the federal government in fifteen states.

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Messrs. Earman and Hodges, of the Board of Control, voted against granting the leave of absence taking the position that the state needed her services as much as does the federal government.

Rumor is rife that a new canning factory will be established in Dade county this season. Tomatoes, okra, and other vegetables, as well as all kinds of fruit will be canned and preserved. A Toledo firm is said to be at the head of the movement.

A large acreage will be planted to Bermuda onions in Florida this season, this according to a report sent out by the Agricultural Department at Washington. It is said by those who have experimented with this crop that they can be grown very successfully here.

On account of the war there is at least one railroad that will go out of business. This is the Oklawaha Valley railroad running along the Oklawaha valley to Leesburg. Trains ceased to be run over this road November first.

The potato growers of the Hastings section by a unanimous agreement will use no barrels in the shipment of potatoes this season, but instead will use sacks. This action, it is claimed, is in line with the government's plea for conservation.

The Federal Department of Agriculture is planning to open a marketing bureau in Jacksonville at an early date. Particular attention will be given the Florida citrus fruit industry, and a feature will be a news service on citrus fruits.

The Florida Educational Association will hold its next meeting in Daytona December 26th to 29th inclusive. It is expected that more than 1,500 persons interested in education will be present at this convention. Daytona is making big preparations for it.

From the Ft. Myers section large shipments of peppers are going forward to northern markets daily. Also small shipments of tomatoes are being made.

Officials of the East Coast Railway say they are going to spend \$10,000 advertising Florida this season. The most of this, of course, will be spent on the East Coast.

The tobacco crop of the state is estimated to be three hundred thousand more than it was last year. The demand for Florida tobacco is increasing.

from year to year, and has grown into one of the most important industries of the state.

Building operations in Miami this year show a big increase over last year. The record for this year is \$1,000,000 as against \$200,000 for the same months of last year.

In just one day last week the Internal Revenue Department at Tampa issued \$24,648.25 worth of revenue stamps. There is only one larger day in the records of that city.

Those in a position to know say that the travel from the North is unusually heavy for this season of the year, and the prediction is that this season will show the greatest influx of people into the state that has ever been recorded.

A meat packing plant was recently established at Clearwater. The farmers of that section now have a place where they can ship their meat.

The little city of Manatee, over on the West Coast, is going to have a Carnegie library. The contract has already been let, and it will cost \$12,000.

A car load of corn-fattened hogs were shipped from Manatee to Jacksonville last week. Figuring at seven cents a pound it is estimated this car was well worth \$800.

The farmers around Chefield, a small town in Levy county, sold recently \$55,000 worth of cotton. It is estimated the total crop in that county will bring at least \$150,000.

The citrus prospects for the state this year are said to be the best in years. Owing to the short crop it is expected that fancy prices will be obtained throughout the entire season.

According to the report of the U. S. Agricultural Department, Florida has so far gained more than 26,000 bales of cotton this season. Florida is fast coming to the front as a cotton producing state.

Wow!

Representative James R. Mann is afraid that the army will contain all the lunatics in the country. But aren't some members of the country too old to John?—Buffalo Express.

"Kelly and Burke and Shea." The American who carried the first Star Spangled Banner to the French front was an Irishman.—Baltimore American.

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THRONE OF HADES HAS BEEN ABDICATED

LETTER HAS WON FAME FOR THE
AUTHOR—HIGH OFFICIALS
HAVE ASKED FOR COPIES

Satan has quit, according to the Jackson (Mich.) Courier, and has named Kaiser Wilhelm as his successor to the throne of Hades. The Michigan paper continues:

His Satanic Majesty has abdicated the throne of Hades, naming Kaiser Wilhelm as his successor and confessing himself a novice and a back number in infamy and evil deeds, according to a bitter and scathing satirical misadventure addressed to the German ruler and signed by "Lucifer II." Satan, through which Louis Syberkrop, of Creston, Ia., has within the last few weeks won fame for himself, and requests for copies from Colonel Roosevelt, Secretary Daniels of the Navy Department, Joseph T. Sullivan, the President's secretary, and many others prominent in public life.

Syberkrop's satirical epistle, dated "The Infernal Region, June 28, 1917," and addressed to "Wilhelm von Hohenzollern, King of Germany, Emperor of all Germany and Envoy Extraordinary of Almighty God," reads:

Always Close to You.
"My Dear Wilhelm:

"I call you by that familiar name for I have always been very close to you, much closer than you could ever know."

"In the days of Rome I created a roughneck known in history as Nero; he was a vulgar character and suited my purpose at that particular time. In these modern days a classic demon and efficient super-criminal was needed; and as I know the Hohenzollern blood, I picked you as my special instrument to place on earth, an annex of hell. I gave you abnormal ambition, likewise an over-supply of egotism, that you might not discover your own failings; I twisted your mind to that of a mad man with certain normal tendencies to carry you by, a most dangerous character placed in power; I gave you the power of a hypnotist and a certain magnetic force, that you might sway your people. I am responsible for the deformed arm that hangs helpless on your left, for your crippled condition embitters your life and destroys all noble impulses that might otherwise cause me anxiety; but your strong arm is driven by your ambition that squelches all sentiment and pity; I placed in your soul a deep hatred for all things English, for of all nations on earth I hate England most; wherever England plants her flag she brings order out of chaos and the hated Cross follows the Union Jack; under her rule wild tribes become tillers of the soil, and in due time practical citizens; she is the great civilizer of the globe, and I HATE HER. I planted in your soul a cruel hatred for your mother because she was English and left my good

friend Bismarck to fan the flame I had kindled. Recent history proves how well our work was done. It broke your royal mother's heart, but I gained my purpose."

Ruler of Germany
"The inherited disease of the Hohenzollerns killed your father, just as it will kill you, and you became the ruler of Germany and a tool of mine sooner than I expected."

"To assist you and further hasten my work I sent you three evil spirits, Nietzsche, Treitschke and later Bernhardi, whose teachings inflamed the youth of Germany, who in good time would be willing and loyal subjects and eager to spill their blood and pull your chestnuts, your and mine; the spell has been perfect—you cast your ambitious eyes toward the Mediterranean, Egypt, India and the Dardanelles, and you began your great railway to Bagdad, but the ambitious archduke and his more ambitious wife stood in your way. It was then that I sowed the seed in your heart that blossomed into the assassination of the Duke and his wife, and all hell smoldered when it saw how cleverly you saddled the crime onto Serbia. I saw you set sail for the fjords of Norway and I knew you would prove an alibi, how cleverly done, so much like your noble grandfather, who also secured an assassin to remove old King Frederick of Denmark, and later robbed that country of two provinces that gave Germany an opportunity to become a naval power. Murder is dirty work, but it takes a Hohenzollern to make away and get by."

Bells of Hell Are Ringing
"Your opportunity was at hand; you set the world on fire and bells of hell were ringing; your rape on Belgium caused much joy; it was the beginning, the foundation of a perfect hell on earth, the destruction of noble cathedrals and other infinite works of art was hailed with joy in the infernal regions. You made war on friends and foes alike, and the murder of civilians showed my teachings had borne fruit. Your treachery toward neutral nations hastened a universal upheaval, the one thing I most desired. Your under-sea warfare is a master stroke, from the smallest mackerel pot to the great Lusitania you showed no favorites; as a war lord you stand supreme, for you have no mercy; you have no consideration for the baby clinging to its mother's breast as they both go down into the deep together, only to be torn apart and leisurely devoured by sharks down among the corals."

"I have strolled over the battle fields of France and Belgium. I have seen your hand of destruction everywhere; it's all your work, super-flend that I made you. I have seen the fields of Poland, now a wilderness fit for the prowling beasts only; no merry children in Poland; they all succumbed to frost and starvation. I drifted down into Galicia, where formerly Jews and Gentiles lived happily together; I found but ruins and ashes; I felt a curious pride in my pupil, for it was all above

my expectations. I was in Belgium when I drove the peaceful population before you like cattle into slavery; you separated man and wife, forced them to hard labor in trenches. I have seen the most fiendish rape committed on the young women, and those who were forced into maternity were cursing the father of their offspring, and I began to doubt if my own inferno was really up to date."

Usurped and Starved.
"You have taken millions of dollars from innocent victims and called it indemnity; you have lived fat on the land you usurped, and sent the real owners away to starvation. You have strayed away from all legalized war methods and introduced a code of your own. You have killed and robbed the people of friendly nations and destroyed their property. You are a liar, a hypocrite and a bluffer of the first magnitude. You are a partner of mine, and yet you pose as a personal friend of God. Ah, Wilhelm, you are a wonder! You wantonly destroy all things in your path and leave nothing for the coming generations."

"I was amazed when I saw you form a partnership with the impossible Turk, the chronic killer of Christians, and you a devout worshipper in the Lutheran church. I confess, Wilhelm, you are a puzzle at times. A Mohammedan army, commanded by German officers, assisting one another in massacring Christians, is a new line of warfare. When a Prussian officer can witness a nude woman being disemboweled by a swarthy Turk, committing a double murder with one cut of his saber, and calmly stand by and see a house full of innocent Armenians locked up, the house saturated with oil and fired, then his teachings did not stop with you, but have been extended to the whole German nation. I confess my Satanic soul grew sick, and there and then I knew the pupil had become the master. I am a back number, and my dear Wilhelm, I abdicate in your favor. The great key of Hell will be turned over to you. The gavel that has struck the doom of damned souls since time began is yours. I am satisfied with what I have done; that my abdication in your favor is for the very best interests of Hell—in the future I am at your Majesty's service."

Very respectfully and sincerely yours,

Citrus Fruit Growers of Florida Go "Over the Top"

For the last few years statisticians of all kinds and creeds have been inclined to assail the leadership of oranges and grapefruit as money-producing crops for Florida.

In comparisons they have tried to show that cattle and hogs, potatoes and tomatoes, naval stores and lumber, phosphate and lime had taken the ascendancy.

Now these statistical sharks have got to take their pens in hand and beat a retreat, for the citrus grower has "gone over the top" and has proved the superiority of fruits in the money producing contest.

If the report that Hastings potato growers after their successful season this summer would only box six or eight bushels of potatoes per acre, the citrus grower would be a better off. The automobile manufacturer and better take our tip right now and begin the manufacture of a 20-cylinder car that will meet the demands of our farmer friends in the citrus belt.

Because, oh man, there's going to be something doing when the oranges and grapefruit are all off to market and the growers begin to wonder what they're going to do with so much money and the wife gets to looking longingly at the Pierce Sparrows that glide by the door on the wonderful Florida roads.

Citrus fruits that bring two to four dollars a box "on the tree" mean some of the luxuries of life as well as the comforts for the growers thereof.

And while we're singing this little song of forthcoming prosperity, allow us to call your distinguished attention to the fact that dollar-equipped tourists are at present rolling into the state as they have never rolled at so early a period before. The war has brought prosperity to every state in the North, East and West, and thousands of those who have dollars to spend are going to "come early and stay late." The railroads report a record business, hotels are opening much earlier than usual, and the rush will be on in earnest before the present month ends.

Floridians, regardless of what the war may have done to them heretofore, are going to have a winter of "milk and honey."

Only Croakers Fear Over-Production.
Every year live citrus growers add to their groves and new growers plant acre after acre of orange and grapefruit trees, and every year the "ravens" sit around on their fences and croak about how "over-production" will bring the price down and every year those same "ravens" mourn about the high cost of living while the growers buy new cars.

And it will be the same this year. A

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lot of well-meaning men may be deterred from starting groves by the croaking of the pessimist, but where one man gets "cold feet" there will be 100 who are wise enough and far-seeing enough to plant new groves or add to their old ones, knowing full well the great strides in marketing citrus crops since the advent of the Florida Citrus Exchange—soon will insure uniform distribution of Florida fruit throughout the country and that the big advertising campaign carried on by the exchange will make two more people in the United States want Florida oranges or grapefruit for every additional box that is produced.

Florida is surely coming into her own. The extra quality of the Florida citrus fruits—their supremacy in flavor and goodness over others—is being proved every year and it is doubtful if the grower will see that their supremacy is maintained. The starting point of the supremacy is the nursery. High-bred, true-to-name trees of Buckeye origin are responsible for much of it. For 37 years Buckeye Nurseries have been exclusively propagating citrus stock, building up the virtues and eliminating the defects until every tree they offer has become to be regarded as "like a government bond"—a good investment, because it is absolutely safe and pays good dividends.

They who do not listen to the "croakers" are the back-bone of Florida's future wealth, for it is up to them to make Florida able in the future to maintain her citrus supremacy and supply the ever-increasing and insistent demand for Florida fruit. Buckeye Nurseries, one of the business enterprises of which Tampa and all citrus Florida is proud, never cease their efforts in this direction. It is well worth the while of every man and woman who wants to see this part of the state prosper to write Buckeye Nurseries, 1135 Citizens Bank Building, Tampa, Florida, for a free copy of their new catalogue and other literature on the care, culture and marketing of citrus fruits.

SUEZ CANAL SHARES APPEAR IN COLLATERAL

Considerable interest has been aroused by the presence in the list of collateral of the American Foreign Securities Company for the \$100,000,000 French loan of \$11,000,000, market value, of Suez Canal shares. There is a certain amount of romance attached to the Suez Canal and to the ownership of the shares, according to "The Wall Street Journal."

The idea of a canal to connect the Red Sea with the Mediterranean was opposed by the British for about twenty years, until arrangements had so far advanced that DeLesseps was able to start on the work in August, 1859. During the building of the canal obstacles were interposed, so that the opening did not occur until November, 1869.

Objection to the canal was deep-seated in the British mind, and Disraeli had difficulty in financing his grand coup of buying the shares of the Khedive of Egypt, which was a success both financially and politically, and acquiring thereby an interest in the route to India.

As it appears, England knew of the Khedive's financial straits and purchased his 176,602 shares for about 22½ pounds a share through the Rothschild banking house of London. As the original issue was 400,000 shares of 500 francs each, a little more than par was paid by England, without, however, acquiring the control, which is still in the hands of the French, who originally financed the enterprise.

Suez Canal shares have been held very closely, rather considered as heirlooms in the old French families, and the fact that they appear in the French collateral shows that the French government has been able to induce some patriotic Frenchmen to part with them. They are valuable assets, bearing five per cent interest, and in addition receiving 71 per cent of the surplus profits. A certain number are redeemed every year, after which the five per cent interest ceases, but they are still entitled to their share of the profits.

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WAR TALKS

By UNCLE DAN

Number One

America Must Fight Hard or Germany May Win—Necessity for Military Training.

"Now, Billie," said his mother, "your Uncle Dan is coming tomorrow to spend a week with us on the farm, and if you want to know about the war, here's your opportunity. Uncle Dan is probably one of the best-informed men in the country." Billie clapped his hands and gave such a whoop that he awakened the baby, but what could you expect of a fifteen-year-old boy who is a living interrogation point and wants to know about war?

Uncle Dan arrived in due time and Billie watched for an opportunity. It came that evening after dinner when Uncle Dan had lighted a cigar and taken a seat on the porch.

"I'm mighty glad you came, Uncle Dan. I want to talk to you about the war. We have just put military training in our township high school, but we had a hard time to do it. The Joneses and the Greggs objected. They said the war wouldn't come over here. Grandma Jones said: 'They ain't no use to worry, it will soon blow over.' Well, we put the training in just the same. You order heard Judge Brownell, the president of the school board, do the slackers up. He said unless we take off our coats and go to it, Germany may yet win, and if she does, she will take over the great British fleet as a war trophy and compel us to do what ever she wants to; that she could make us pay all the cost of the war; the Kaiser could tax us as he pleased and that we couldn't help ourselves. He could make every one pay over a part of what he earns; that he could make the farmers pay rent for their own farms, etc. Now, Uncle, what do you think of that?"

"Well, my boy," said Uncle Dan, "all that Judge Brownell says might

easily come true and may unless we go quickly to the aid of the allies with large numbers of men and help them break the German line. The German fleet, the submarines, they may prevent us from getting enough food to the allies to keep them going. In that case Germany would win. As matters stand today, our greatest need is trained men. If we had had several millions of men with military training in our industries and on our farms when the war came, who could have been called at once for service, I do not believe the Kaiser would have forced the war upon us. As it was, he had no respect for us, and now we are in it and must go through with it. But never again must we be caught so wholly unprepared."

"There is only one safe way," said Uncle Dan, "and that is to adopt permanently universal military training, apply it to every young man who is physically fit, say in his nineteenth or twentieth year. The training can be carried forward in the United States training camps that are now being established for training men called by the selective draft. As soon as these men vacate these stations, they should be filled by younger men, and this should be made the permanent policy of the country."

Billie's mother, Mrs. Graham, had overheard the conversation. She came out and said: "Really, Brother Dan, are you serious as to the dangers of our country? If it is as bad as that, it is high time for us to wake up and do something about it."

"Exactly," replied Uncle Dan. "It is better to wake up now than to be rudely awakened later. We may as well understand, sister, that this is our war and we must win it or God help America. Everything that we have or hope to have—our liberties, our blessings, our opportunities are all involved in the great issue before us. Nothing must stand between us and winning this war. It is a question whether the peoples' right or the Kaiser's might shall dominate the world. If there ever was a holy war, this is it. We are fighting for world liberty. We are fighting for the freedom of humanity. We are fighting for the right of men to govern themselves instead of being governed against their will by a war-mad overlord. Perilous times are ahead of us. We must be prepared to make any sacrifice, to perform any service that may be required of us."

"Oh, Uncle Dan," exclaimed Billie, "may I bring my chum, Jimmie Collins, when we have our next talk? He is a bug on this war business and just crazy to see you."

"Certainly," said Uncle Dan, with a hearty laugh. "If we are to have more talks, I shall be glad to have Jimmie join us."

Billie clapped his hands and ran to the phone and told Jimmie to be over at seven o'clock the next evening.



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WHY GROCERIES REMAIN HIGH

Numbers of retail grocers report that they are beset on both sides, namely, that as the flour is not down to six dollars per barrel, eggs have sold at about fifteen cents, etc.

It would be well for the public to bear in mind that the business of every food dealer is operated under the regulations of the United States government and he cannot charge more than a very reasonable profit without violating them.

It is absolutely impossible, however, for the Tampa dealers to control the price of food. With the exception of sugar and flour, the Food Control Board is not trying to control the price, but is controlling the profit. The prices must, and will be based upon what the producer or farmer gets for his product. This may be high or low, we cannot tell, but after the farmer has disposed of his product it will be passed on to the consumer without any speculative profit to any one, and only a reasonable profit will be allowed those who handle the commodity and render a service, a just and reasonable compensation; and the laws of this land are now framed so that he cannot get more; and what is decidedly to the point, no one who does not render a service will receive nothing. The biggest evil in the food game, heretofore, is the food pirate and speculator—that fellow who did nothing but buy up goods when they looked right, and then hold them for a profit. He did nothing whatever to increase their value, yet he was paid handsomely out of the pockets of the people for doing nothing. This man is now legislated out of existence.

Those left in the food business are now legitimate merchants who render an actual service; they are considered necessary to the feeding of our people. It is intended they shall be paid only a reasonable profit for their work and capital invested, and by no means permitted to speculate at the expense of the public.

Under the circumstances, how can you blame the Tampa merchant if groceries or meat do not meet your ideas as to cheapness? There is a shortage of food in the world and the farmer will probably continue to get good prices for his product as long as this continues, do not expect general declines in your grocery bill.

Of course, crop conditions cause some changes but with the world aflame with production reduced and consumption increased, demand will exceed the supply. There is no law to control the price the farmer gets for his product; the law only controls the amount of profit the merchants and dealers shall make over this.

Undoubtedly, the food board realized all this, and their object was to reduce prices if possible, but while important, it is more important to keep them from doubling this winter their already high mark. Without the profit on sugar under control there would be no limit to the amount of money speculators could make on this commodity in sections where there is a shortage. This profit would not have helped the producer, but would have come out of the pockets of the consumer just the same. After a commodity leaves the producers' hands, scarcity will not cause an advance in price.

Flour cannot go off 20 per cent, as was stated some time ago. The wheat price has been fixed for some time and the consumer will not get flour any cheaper than at present until the next crop is harvested next year, and maybe not then. It will depend on crop conditions at that time. At most, it will not be more than \$1 per barrel cheaper, the farmer having been guaranteed a price of at least \$2 per bushel for wheat.

The consumer can help out here by reducing the amount of costly service she asks, by paying cash for groceries and meats, and by carrying all possible purchases herself. This will all result in a saving, which saving will, of necessity, be passed on to the consumer.—Tampa Tribune.

PRACTICING WHAT THEY PREACH

From the financial report of the Federation of Women's Clubs, rendered at the session recently, we see that the women of Florida have been putting all they could raise into Royal Palm Park, down in South Florida on the road leading from Orlando to Cape Sable Development.

Doubtless they mean for the best in the preservation of those royal palms, but at this time, when conservation is the cry, when woman is supposed to be the one to set the example of practical spending during the war and other time of stress it would appear that spending something over six thousand dollars for the maintenance of a park in embryo, including the sum of \$1,100 borrowed from the Federation's health fund, is not practicing what they have been preaching.

To the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs can be traced many of the modern things done for good of humanity and especially childhood, in the twenty-three years of its existence. The children's playgrounds over the state about are a halo for the club, while its parts in making better conditions for women workers in stores, factories and even in the home, deserve the applause and gratitude of the entire state.

We would suggest that next year, inasmuch as President Wilson has urged that a cessation along all lines that are not actually needed, and a concentration of energies, effort and money on those things that go to making sure our victory in the struggle for threatened world democracies that they look into matters more nearly touching the welfare of our boys at the front, or their families left at home, than into matters of improving a park that must wait for years before it can become the great picture place they intend it.—Tampa Tribune.

FLORIDA FOR ALL SEASONS

The Tribune has maintained from the first that Florida has an all-the-year-round climate. It was convinced of this by a study of the reports of the United States Weather Bureau, and from the testimony of friends and comrades who have lived long in the state. Northern people come south for the winter and then return North to suffer from mosquitos and heat by day and night, while here at St. Cloud they can escape the mosquito pest, never suffer from sultry nights nor run the dangers of being prostrated by heat during the day time. Apropos to this subject, we note the following from the Clay County Democrat:

"Every winter Florida is filled with tourists who come here from other states and revel in our delicious climate, enjoy our fishing, hunting, bathing and outdoor sports, and go back to their northern homes refreshed and benefited and invigorated by their stay among us, and certainly we are glad to have them; our welcome is warm, cordial and sincere, and would reach out to thousands more if they would come, and there is plenty of room for others, and when we pick up the papers and read of floods, snow storms and calamities of various kinds in the winter, and hear of prostrations and fierce winds in the summer, we can't help but wonder why it is Florida doesn't fill 'chock' full of folks who will cast their permanent lot here and live in the very best state in the Union."

Actually, no state presents so many real attractions as our state does, and we can't understand why it is so many people are willing to risk their all, including their own lives and the lives of their families, when they can secure perfect safety.

"We have lived in Florida for many years and we have never heard of a disaster from floods or suffocation from heat, nor have we ever heard of men, women and children freezing to death from cold, and in Florida we have fewer diseases of a fatal nature than any other state. Barring the sick who come here from other states, with one foot in the grave and the other almost and die within its borders."

"We suppose that one reason more people do not come here to make their permanent homes, where they can enjoy such manifold advantages is due to the erroneous reports that have gone abroad that Florida is a veritable baliseven in summer. This idea comes through a natural supposition because of Florida's nearness to the equator, but there are many who have had a similar experience to ours, and have found the heat in northern states far more oppressive in summer than in Florida. In fact, the Florida summer temperature is several degrees lower than that of other states and this is due to the fact that the peninsula is narrow and the breezes from the gulf and ocean keep the air cool and pleasant, hence it is rarely uncomfortable in the shade."

"When this fact becomes thoroughly grounded and rooted in the minds of people of other states there will be many who will seek homes in Florida, and they will find equally as warm a welcome as we extend to the tourists who come and only spend a few short weeks with us."

DON'T DAMN YOUR TOWN

(By David Gibson, in the Ground Hog.)

Any place is just what the men who live in it make it. Don't sit around and damn your town. A town is just as good or just as bad as the people who are damning it.

Every community, even if it hasn't more than 200 inhabitants, should have a down-town room where the cigars are good and where everyone can meet, on equal ground, and absorb the good qualities of one another; where the spirit of the Golden Rule can be instilled; for no one can deny this perfectly scientific principle.

A town is seldom the result of virgin natural conditions. In any event, it was man who saw the natural advantages—and frequently it was some one individual.

For illustration: There is no natural reason why Cleveland should have been the oil center of the world. There are few oil wells in or about the community and they are not large ones. So far as oil is concerned, and as a shipping point, it is no better than a dozen and one other towns. It was simply John D. Rockefeller. He wanted to live in Cleveland and his individuality, his personality brought the oil industry to him.

There is no physical reason why Chicago should be the meat packing center of the world. It could as well have been St. Louis. Simply that old Phil Armour wanted to live there.

In nearly every town you visit, you hear some resident say: "Oh, this ain't nothin' but an overgrown country village."

The resident of any town that makes such a statement wears whiskers and boots at heart.

Of course, if your town isn't sporty enough for you, why, you can move—that isn't the town's fault.

If you get too sporty you'll have to move anyhow! It isn't the sports that make a town—it's the jays!

The man that gave the light for the sports on the Great White Way was a Jay—Thomas A. Edison, a Jay telegraph operator from Ohio.

John D. Rockefeller, who, in a money way, is the ideal of every sport, was a Jay from Richford, New York.

Russell Sage, who loaned money to the sports for years, was a Jay—he started by jumping counters in a country store.

William Dean Howells, America's foremost literary character, will take more pride in telling you of the days when he set type as a Jay on the Sentinel at Ashtabula, Ohio, than his literary success of later years—the days when they used shoe pegs to space the type, and about a printer getting drunk and using a plug of "Star" tobacco for a cut.

Nearly every man in art, science, literature, industry and commerce here in America today either is or was a Jay.

Cincinnati is the supply center of the South, Yonkers, at the waning of the river traffic, it was about to give place to Louisville and Memphis in the commerce of that territory.

The citizens of Cincinnati got busy and built the Cincinnati Southern Railroad.

This road was the dream of a Jay. They called him a Jay dreamer, but his dream saved the town.

You hear people of the Far West in mercantile, industrial, artistic and scientific pursuits, saying: "If we were only in Chicago, we could do or get so and so." In Chicago you hear them say: "If we were only in New York." When in New York you hear them wishing for something in London or Paris.

There you are. Any place is just what the people in it make it.

The first process in the improvement of any town is to get rid of the people who are damning it.

KICK COLUMN

GAME OF "DEAF AND DUMB" BEGGING REVIVED

Only at a late hour last Friday afternoon was I handed at the Tribune office a note to the effect that a man was seen on Carolina avenue begging. At every door he knocked and exhibited a card claiming "deaf and dumb." Invariably he won the sympathy of the caller and the trick brought him the bacon.

Then I got busy, but every trace of the beggar was lost. My one regret is that the case was not immediately reported to the City Marshal, who, in turn, would send for the writer, who is on the Bureau for the Suppression of Imposters as deputy for his vicinity, to investigate whether he was "deaf and dumb," as his card implied. In the event of his being discovered a fake, a severe penalty should be administered to him, according to the dictates of the Florida statute, for his offense consists in obtaining money under false pretenses.

The emigration of professional mendicants at this time of the year when the tourist season opens is perennial and an ever present problem with the police department to solve. As a general rule, a "deaf and dumb" beggar becomes his misfortune in the presence of house owners or tenants or passing pedestrians and reaps a golden harvest, continuing his operations at different locations during the day. And he lives on Easy street until the proceeds are exhausted. Then he resumes the trick of fooling the public once and all the time.

The need of publicity and preparedness is emphasized. A genuine deaf mute does NOT beg, and if he does, he is a rarity. A "deaf and dumb" beggar is nothing but a fake. Once his imposture is exposed, an arrest follows with the alternative of serving a term in the jail or on the road or of paying a stiff fine.

An imposter law created by the Florida legislature is still in force and should be enforced in every city in the state where an imposter is found begging, and arrested. Any courtesies extended me that may be of assistance in suppressing fake deaf mendicants—exposing and convicting so-called "deaf" beggars—will be appreciated. Beware of the "deaf and dumb" beggar.

FRANK E. PHILPOTT.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Mr. Editor St. Cloud Tribune:

Dear Sir—This little clipping from Chicago Tribune is worth reading and ACTING upon. Please publish.

W. T. TERRY.

St. Cloud, Fla.

Making Trinkets While War Rages

Chicago.—Editor of The Tribune.—In almost all the large stores one can see hundreds of women spending many hours of the day, even whole mornings and afternoons, making lamp shades, handbags, foolish little baskets, etc., etc. There are crowds of such women engaged in these pastimes when they might be giving their time and skill to their country and its allies.

Do these women realize that their services are sorely needed; that many of the men who are fighting for them are cold for lack of knitted garments; that surgical dressings are needed for the wounded; that children in Europe—hundreds of them—are naked?

MRS. S. MAYO BOYD.

COBB—GRUBB

Married, Thanksgiving morning, at the home of Rev. J. M. King, Samuel F. Cobb and Lily Mae Grubb.

It was a complete surprise to their friends, who extend to them best wishes for a happy future.

THE ALCOVE'S Early Christmas List

QUALITY STATIONERY—BON BONS—MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS—CIGARS—PIPES—LATE BOOKS—CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS—DIARIES

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We buy furs of all kinds. Get our prices before selling your racoon, otter, skunk or other fur.

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Uncle Sam needs it now and we will pay you highest prices in cash.

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OPPOSITE DEPOT

ST. CLOUD, FLA.

Let This Be a Practical Xmas

The giving of practical gifts is more in evidence this year than ever before

Men's Shoes, Shirts, Gloves, Hose, Slippers, Neckties, Hats, Suspenders, etc.

S. BRAMMAR, Penna Ave., St. Cloud, Fla.

RED CROSS DOINGS

The Red Cross weekly entertainment at the new St. Cloud Hotel on Tuesday last, was a great success and shows how these popular entertainments are meeting with the approval of the residents and visitors. There were eleven tables of progressive 500, and one used for other games.

The next entertainment will be a "pennut stick," on Tuesday, December 11th, and promises to be a very amusing evening. Every one is invited to come and renew their youth on this occasion. The hostesses will be Mrs. L. D. Frost, Mrs. Sadie Miller, Miss Ella Cranston and Mrs. Guy S. Morgan.

GEORGE G. CURTIS.

George G. Curtis was born July 24, 1835, and died November 28, 1917, being 79 years, 4 months and 4 days of age. He was married to Elizabeth Persall, on the 4th day of September, 1864. To this union were born three children, two girls and one boy. He was married to Martha Williams on the 22nd day of September, 1872. He was a Union soldier, enlisting on the 31st day of August, 1864, and was discharged from service on the 20th day of June, 1865. He was a consistent Christian and was a member of the Christian church of St. Cloud at the time of his death.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon from his home on Maryland avenue and Seventh street, Rev. L. L. Jenkins officiating.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, it has pleased the Almighty Father to all from our midst our beloved brother, Milton Julian, and by it Benevolent Rebekah Lodge has lost a faithful and valued member; therefore be it

Resolved, we bow in humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father and ever cherish the memory of his exemplary life.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved wife, a copy be spread on the minutes of the Lodge and a copy be published in the Saint Cloud Tribune.

MARTHA GEORGE, TENNIE PENN, JULIA B. FRENCH.

Genuine Alligator Goods

Money Purses, Hand Bags, Toy Banks, Manicure Sets, Billis Folds, Belts and many other useful articles for Christmas gifts.

BUY WHILE ASSORTMENTS ARE GOOD

We also have an up-to-the-minute line of Neckwear, Socks, Supporters, Suspenders, Silk Shirts, Bedroom Slippers.

Ask to see our line now.

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OUR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

TO OUR FRIENDS SHOULD BE

Beautiful, Attractive and Lasting

Something that will be a reminder in the years to come of the good taste of the giver, and nothing illustrates conditions like JEWELRY. A few suggestions—

RINGS FOR ALL THE FAMILY

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LAVALLIERS BROOCHES SILVERWARE

BEAUTIFUL HAND PAINTED FLORIDA SOUVENIRS

Come in and get acquainted with the stock, the service and the kind of work I do. You'll like it.

F. R. SEYMOUR

at the Seminole Pharmacy

St. Cloud, Florida



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LOCAL PERSONAL SOCIAL

You can pay county or city taxes at A. E. Drought's office. 20-1f

F. H. Kenney was a visitor in Klamath Monday.

J. D. Crosby is attending court in Klamath this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Squires spent Monday in Klamath.

Samuel Hobson was a business visitor in Klamath Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Peterson spent Saturday in Klamath on business.

Minerva B. Cushman, M. D., D. O., HOMEOPATH. Phone 38. 11-1f

Miss Mildred Page, of Ohio, was a guest of Miss Kathleen Goff Sunday last.

T. J. Callan, wife and little daughter went to Klamath Thursday on business.

Mrs. J. D. Harris and mother, Mrs. J. F. Hoffman, spent Wednesday in Klamath.

O. L. Buckmaster, osteopath. Office in Conn building. 7-1f

C. M. Packer, of Jacksonville, spent a few days of this week in our city on business.

Mrs. M. E. Rigan and daughter, Miss Kathleen, were visitors in Klamath on Tuesday.

Mr. S. E. Waters and family, of Orlando, were guests at B. E. Gessford's over Monday.

Subscribe for the Tribune at the Clyde. 13-1f

S. S. McClure arrived recently from Burlington, Penn., for his fifth winter in the Wonder City.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Thompson and daughter arrived Friday evening to spend the winter in St. Cloud.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. B. Stillwell ate Thanksgiving dinner with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. March, at Peghorn Junction.

Mr. Samuel Welch and wife, from Ulrichsville, Ohio, arrived in the Wonder City Saturday morning and will remain for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Vreeland enjoyed the company of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Kibbe Wednesday evening at their home on Wisconsin avenue.

L. C. Riddle, dentist. Office hours 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Conn building. Telephone 83. 7-1f

Mr. Henry Hellman, from Fitzgerald, Ga., came Tuesday to visit his friends, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Eely, who reside on Indiana avenue and 10th street.

J. L. Wellman, who has been in St. Cloud for some time, stopping at the home of Mr. A. S. Cole, went to St. Petersburg Wednesday for a short stay, but expects to return to St. Cloud.

Van O'Berry, our genial express agent, spent his Thanksgiving with the McLeans at Narcoossee, stopping en route at St. Cloud, Ashton, etc., to visit friends.

Let the auto repair man, with Edd George. Expert electrician and repairman. 9-1f

Mr. A. D. Harmon, of Jersey avenue, enjoyed the company of Mr. William Call and wife and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dalby on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 29th.

We have it. Orchid White, good for the skin. At Marine's Pharmacy. 8-1f

S. W. Porter, real estate, insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hopple, of N. Dak., came recently to our Wonder City and have taken apartments at the Haven on Massachusetts avenue.

Call at the New York Market for fresh and salt meats of all kinds. 11-1f

Mrs. F. T. Wolf, of Missouri avenue, had the pleasure of Mrs. E. Vreeland and Mrs. M. W. Veeder on Wednesday afternoon at her home. Mrs. Tracy was also present.

Mr. and Mrs. Hussey and two daughters, who have been in St. Cloud for the past month, left Monday morning for Daytona Beach, where they will remain for a month.

Mrs. McGuire, Mrs. Nacker, Mrs. Catkins and Mrs. Gibson went to Klamath Thursday to eat Thanksgiving dinner with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Baker.

Mrs. Frances Colvin went to Orlando Thursday for her Thanksgiving dinner with relatives there and to meet her grandson, Mr. Colvin Parker, who came from DeLand college.

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Constantine Carpenter announces that the dancing class which is so successful at the St. Cloud Hotel will remain. All desirous to attend at a small fee this Friday night.

Mr. George Gould, of Sidney, Iowa, arrived in St. Cloud Monday and is putting up at 500 California avenue. He served in Co. K, 8th Ill. Cav. Memphis, and member of the G. A. R.

Roland says he keeps the best meats in town, at the New York Market. 11-1f

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Wright, who have been spending the summer in New Castle, Ind., returned to St. Cloud last week and are located on Carolina avenue and 6th street for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Labaugh, who have been visiting Mrs. C. M. Reynolds, of Carolina avenue and 12th street for the past week, returned Monday morning to their home in Los Angeles, Calif.

You will find a fine line of Thanksgiving cards at the Clyde, New York avenue. 12-1f

Mrs. M. W. Veeder has knitted several rainbow bags with a red cross on, named after the Rainbow Division. She realized ten dollars on two of them and turned it over to the Red Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Williamson, of Kinsman, Ohio, have taken the cottage on Wisconsin avenue and 12th street for the winter. Mrs. Williamson is a daughter of C. Bidwell, of Dakota avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shidler, Mr. and Mrs. David Crave and Richard Crave, all of Eaton, Ind., arrived Saturday morning for a winter in the Wonder City.

The St. Cloud Christian Union holds meetings every Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in the Miles building on New York avenue. Wm. P. Lynch, secretary and manager. 11-1f

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brandt, of Naples, N. Y., after a two years' absence, have returned to St. Cloud to spend the winter months. They have taken up their residence at the home of J. O. McNew, on Minnesota avenue and 6th street.

G. A. R. Memorial Hall, annual meeting of stockholders adjourned to January 20, 1918, at which time officers will be elected and other business which may be necessary will be transacted.

Tzy Mothers' Bread at Hargraves. It is fine. 15-1f

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Headlee and Mrs. M. W. Veeder, from Dayton, Ohio, N. Dak., came recently to our Wonder City and have taken apartments at the Haven on Massachusetts avenue.

All the members of the First Baptist Church of St. Cloud are invited to be present at 2:30 p. m., December 13, for a special conference meeting for the purpose of adopting new resolutions.

Hatcher's for millinery and dress-making. Leave orders for hair goods. 15-1f

The teachers' county association met last Friday in Klamath and was attended by all the teachers of the St. Cloud public schools. Prof. Bullard, Miss Paisley and Miss Fletcher were on the program.

The Iowa Campfire will hold a meeting in old G. A. R. Hall Dec. 7th, at 2 p. m. All Iowa people are cordially invited to be present to help arrange for a Christmas dinner. By order of the president, Z. Barager.

I will be in my new quarters on Pennsylvania avenue by Dec. 15th, and ready to take care of all the business I can get.—H. C. Bartley. 15-1f

Get your holiday gifts at Hatcher's. 15-1f

W. H. Seaman and wife, of Atlantic City, N. J., who are visiting Mrs. Seaman's parents, W. H. and Mrs. Kenney, of Massachusetts avenue, left this morning for Daytona, Fla., for the remainder of the week.

Mrs. Rose Kirkland and W. T. Angel went to Orlando Wednesday to meet Mr. Angel's father, Mr. W. W. Angel, and two children, who are coming from Chicago. Mrs. W. W. Angel will arrive in about two weeks.

Mr. J. L. Wellman, of Martinsville, Ind., another G. A. R. comrade, came in Monday. He served in Co. C, 33rd Ind., putting most of his time in traveling over the state. For the present he is putting up with A. S. Cole, 600 California avenue.

Big sale on Hats, Handkerchiefs, Raincoats to order. Hatcher's. 15-1f

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Chrisman, from Centerburg, Ohio, and Mrs. Mary E. Dunlap, from Columbus, Ohio, arrived Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Chrisman will spend the winter with Mrs. Dunlap at her home on Kentucky avenue and 11th street.

Mrs. Rebecca Day, from Kentucky, who has been visiting her friend, Miss Emma Wilson, on Carolina avenue and Seventh street for the past five weeks, returned to her home Friday morning. (She was delighted with St. Cloud and the people here.)

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Kelley, from Alliance, Ohio, came recently to St. Cloud and have rented a cottage on Minnesota avenue, between 11th and 12th streets. Mrs. Kelley is a sister of Mrs. E. E. Scranton, who lives just opposite on Minnesota avenue.

Mrs. E. L. Wing, recently elected Secretary of the St. Cloud Red Cross Chapter, wishes to tender her resignation through the columns of the St. Cloud Tribune. At the present writing Mrs. Wing is a patient in the Chunn Hospital and is resting comfortably.

Judge and Mrs. E. D. French spent Thanksgiving with their friends and neighbors, Mr. John Carpenter and niece, Miss Sarah Reed, from Kentucky, who is spending the winter here. They had a real Kentucky dinner, which all enjoyed to the utmost.

Have your tired that dried beef sliced on my up-to-date slicer, also boiled ham and bacon? Hargraves slices it just as you want it. 15-1f

Mr. Wesley Gould, from Hancock, N. Y., Co. F, 45th Pennsylvania Veteran Volunteers, the youngest of seven brothers who served in the Union army, is an attorney at Hancock. He has on his face the "H" that is a delightful climate and a beautiful lake. He also finds drinking water excellent.

Mrs. Geo. Wakeman and wife and Mr. A. M. Stanfield, wife and wife's sister, Miss Edda Morrison, from Odessa, Mo., arrived Saturday morning and have taken apartments at the "Haven," corner of Massachusetts avenue and 8th street, for the winter. Both Mr. Wakeman and Mr. Stanfield belonged to Co. I, 72nd Ind. regiment.

One of the pleasantest social events on Thanksgiving day was an "at home" given by Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Blackmun at their home on Kentucky avenue and 13th street. Covers were laid for eight. After a bountiful picnic dinner the afternoon was spent in a social manner, visiting, etc., after which the guests departed, saying one to another, "We will have some more picnics."

Everybody invited—to attend the Sunday afternoon preaching services in the Miles Chapel on New York avenue on Sunday afternoon, December 9th, at two o'clock for song service. The sermon will be delivered at 2:30 by Rev. Brother H. H. Bowen, pastor of the M. E. Church, and I am sure it will be very enjoyable, as have been previous ones preached there in the chapel. Rev. Brother King's sermon last Sunday was much appreciated by all. Come at 2 p. m. and help in the singing. Bring your books. Very respectfully,

WM. P. LYNCH,
Secretary and Manager.

For Xmas, Special Jewelry Sale. Hatcher's, 107 New York Ave. 15-1f

Wm. H. Slater, Co. A, 10th New York Perry, of Minetto, New York, answered the last roll call Nov. 28. Comrade Cav., has just received a message stating that his captain, Walter R. Slater says he owes his life to Capt. Perry, for he picked him up and carried him from the field when injured and unconscious at the battle of the Wilderness Court House, Va., March 31, 1865.

Hot soup at 121 New York avenue. Eat it there or take it home. 15-1f

W. Seymour Raney, an official of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, has been visiting a friend of early times—Comrade Wm. P. Lynch—for several days, and is much impressed with the future of St. Cloud. He at (Continued on Page 8.)

THE HOME STORE

ZIMMERMAN'S

CONN BLDG.,
10th St. & Penn. Ave.

ONCE again this store has put on its "Christmasy" appearance and has on display special lines of Holiday merchandise. Bear in mind the oft-repeated slogan "Shop Early" and pay us a visit. It will be to your interest.

YOUR Mother, Sister or Wife will be pleased to have you present her with a nice Shirt Waist on Christmas morning. Georgette Crepes in white and colors that will please, \$5.50 and \$6.00. Embroidered Voile at \$2.50.

TO a Person shut in doors there is nothing that will be more acceptable than a good book to read. Late copyright fiction at 60c each; Boy Scout books at 15c; Gift books for 30c and 45c; Bibles and Testaments at \$1.75 and \$2.25.

WOMEN will be glad for a gift of some fancy basket ware; handkerchief and sachet baskets made of sweet grass, pine needles mats. Baskets made of sea grass. Look them over.

GIRLS and Boys still have the desire for dolls; these that we have for sale this year are all made in America and are beauties too. They are made of non-breakable material and can be had for 35c up.

YOUR Boy will be so glad on Christmas morning to receive a rollymobile; these are fitted out with two rubber tired wheels and are just the thing. \$2.00.

CHILDREN get so much joy and fun playing house with miniature dish sets. We have them made of china this year, the real thing, for 15c and 35c.

FOR the Boy that is inclined to favor mechanical ideas or studies there would be nothing better than an Erector set for his Christmas present, \$5.00.

CHILDREN are always pleased to receive games for presents. Checkers, Dominoes, Sectional Puzzles, Going to Market, Drawing Slates, etc.

THE Baby will like to wear a new cap. Ask to see them. Fifty cents and sixty-five cents.

CHILDREN are always wanting something to do. A painting and drawing outfit with drawing crayons, different colors of paints and brushes will keep them busy for many an evening. Price 50c.

A SET of three pieces consisting of Robe, Slippers and one Blanket would make a very acceptable gift for a child. We have them ranging in size 4 to 6 years. \$2.50.

FOR your Christmas Dinner Table a good table cloth, mercerized and pure linen can be had at 75c, 90c and \$1.75 the yard.

THERE is nothing so acceptable as a well selected present of some Alligator material, such as pocket books, card cases, etc. Ask to see these.

MEN will want to wear the new silk shirts of various patterns and sizes at four dollars.

THE new styles and patterns in Men's Neck Ties are very pretty this year. 50c and \$1.00.

SHOES for Women, Men and Children are always acceptable gifts.

DRAWING CONTEST

In our window is a doll with sleeping eyes fully dressed that we are going to give away free to the little girl who can draw the best picture of it. The age of the girl must not be over twelve years; she must not be assisted by any other person, but do the drawing all herself. The name of the girl and her age must be signed to her work and left in our store for inspection. Judges will be appointed and the one making the best drawing will be given the doll in the evening before Christmas. The drawing or sketching is to be done from the outside of the store.

Also to the boy under twelve years writing the best composition or description of our Christmas Windows we will give a Rubber Tired Rollymobile. The essays or descriptions to be signed and the age written on and left in our store for inspection. The gift to be presented Christmas evening. The work to be done entirely by the contestant himself.

We extend to you a welcome to our store where you will receive courteous treatment whether you make a purchase or not. We have chairs for your comfort and will be glad to have you come in and rest.

The Arrowsmith Home

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Large Airy Rooms, Electric Light, Bath Room,
Hot and Cold Water, Large Living Room,
Fire Place, Music for Those
Musically Inclined

EVERYTHING CLEAN, COMFORTABLE,
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Prices Consistent

There Is Profit in the Florida Dairy

(By Z. C. Herlong.)

(This article was submitted and published in the Cream Separator Contest conducted by the Florida Farmer and Stockman.)

Any business to be a success must produce profit, and in this respect the dairy business in Florida is, and will remain no exception, and its development here will depend upon the profits accruing to those engaged in it.

I consider cattle essential to permanent profitable farming in Florida, for the reason that they induce the planting of more leguminous crops, and afford a suitable use for the same, which results in greater fertility of the soil, and correspondingly increased crop yields from year to year.

Bought on the farm, other than the dairy cow, that will pay a profit in its operation and at the same time reproduce itself every year, and then after lasting in such service for many years can be sold at almost original cost.

It is especially desirable in entering the business to get the best possible individuals, and in my own operation I have selected those of the Jersey breed, as the production of this breed runs very high in proportion to the feed consumed, and the butter fat runs high, and this is the element that is most valuable, and will render the product most valuable whether sold as whole milk, cream or butter.

Having determined the breed and selected the individuals with care, the question of proper feeding is all-important, and in laying the plans for this it is essential to grow the feeds to be consumed. We are fortunately situated in being favored with a climate that enables us to have green forage and pastures every month in the year. We are practically unlimited in the variety of crops which we may produce suitable for feeding, but we should rely to a great extent on velvet beans. They can be left in the fields for the cattle to harvest or picked and stored away for use as needed. We are feeding beans now that were picked two years ago. We also have hulls from the beans that are shelled for seed purposes, which makes an excellent feed.

We also plant cowpeas, both for grazing and for hay, of which we feed considerable quantities, we also have our native hay, which is mostly composed of crabgrass, cowfoot and beggarweed. We utilize the corn husks and such like, as become available, for feeding the cattle and have for green feeds millet and sorghum in the summer season in addition to the peas and rape, oats and rye in the winter season, and to this add pastures of Bermuda and our native grasses and we can almost always get a complete and balanced ration, though certain supplements may have to be bought in limited quantities at times. Of course corn is available where required to balance the ration.

The importance of proper and regular milking cannot be overestimated, and the difficulty of getting good milkers

in Florida will remain one of the discouraging factors until the business of dairying has been extended, as it surely will be, when there will be a greater number trained to this work, and afford relief to this trying situation.

Having gotten the milk into the pail, the question of disposition arises, and the local conditions must determine this, as what would be the best in one instance might prove to be the poorest system of marketing in another.

Under the conditions which we operate, it is most desirable to separate and dispose of the cream either by selling it in this form or reducing it to butter for which there is a good demand, at extreme prices, where it is properly handled. I believe that when the business has reached greater development the dealers in the cities will become the most desirable outlet for this produce.

Now the question of what to do with the skim milk is easiest of all to solve. Every dairy must have a herd of good hogs of the best breeding that can be had; and they will convert this skim milk into the most possible pounds of meat, for which there is always an unlimited market at good prices. The hogs, too, will contribute to the soil building plan, enabling to grow more feed to make more milk from the dairy to feed more pigs.

An outline for our operation would be about as follows:

To operate our farm so as to improve its fertility from year to year, and in order to do this to:

Have as large a herd of dairy cattle as can be cared for with the breeds to be produced on the farm, and to select these to include only good producers, and to eliminate every one from the herd that falls below the standard determined upon.

To have permanent pastures of Bermuda and other grasses.

To plant cowpeas and sorghum as early in the spring as possible, to get early pastures and keep planting every two or three weeks afterward so as to have one planting take the place of another as fast as needed until frost in the fall.

To plant millet early in the spring and have a supply of it all season.

To plant velvet beans in all the corn and along all the fences, and in all the corners where weeds would grow.

To plant sweet potatoes. A small quantity chopped in the feed is appetizing and otherwise beneficial. Also pumpkins and marrow squash in limited quantities are fine.

To plant rape, oats and rye as early in the fall as possible, and enough of it to last until spring crops come in.

To have a variety of feed at all times AND FEED IT.

To produce all the manure possible and get it in the ground, and by this process increase your yields so notably that all may see that there is a profit in dairying in Florida, and there will be no occasion for the writing of articles like this endeavoring to justify the existence of this great industry in which our state will some day lead.

FLORIDA BOYS RAISED 106 BUSHELS OF CORN TO ACRE

Florida lands will produce corn. Some great deal of the limitation in production comes through the use of inefficient produce more than others. But a client or improper methods. In handling corn to make it produce most bountifully, some of the Florida corn club boys can give their fathers pointers.

The yields obtained by two Lake county boys in corn club work under the direction of the county demonstration agent this year are 106.5 and 109.5 bushels, respectively. The larger figures were reached by Leroy Alderman and the smaller by Edgar Lock. While the official record of all the boys in club work have not been received. G. L. Herrington, state club agent to the

University of Florida Extension division, is of the opinion that these Lake county records will stand as the best for this year.

In determining the net profits on his acre of corn, Leroy deducts an expense total of \$41.35 from the market value of the corn, of \$186.37, which leaves the profit at \$145.02. Edgar found a better market for his corn. He priced it at \$229.94, deducted \$27.70 as expense, and had a net profit of \$202.24.

And listen to this testimonial from Edgar: "I made my crop of corn and didn't miss a day from school. I worked in the afternoons and on Saturdays. I enjoyed the work and think every boy large enough should do something on this line. I am only twelve years of age, but got along fine with my crop, with some little aid from the agent."

Of course these bumper yields were not made without fertilizer, but the selection of seed, good soil preparation, cultivation and following the agent's instructions had much to do with them. Twelve hundred pounds of fertilizer (testing 3-4-2, were used on the larger yield, and 600 pounds testing 1 per cent potash were used in making the smaller yield. It may be that even this much potash cannot be used next year; much depends both on the potash and the corn market.

But the proper preparation of ground and those other items of so much importance may be adopted year in and year out. These yields were made on muck land. If your corn ground hasn't enough vegetable matter in it, grow some good soiling crops and turn them under. Also, do not let the land lie bare this winter. The land these boys used produced a winter crop, one of crabgrass and the other of cabbage.

The ground was prepared the first of March by plowing deeply and harrowing, and the seed was planted a few days later. The Alexander prolific variety was used, but other varieties may be necessary in other parts of the state. Then followed the cultivation that is always necessary to produce the best yields.

CASTOR OIL BEAN IN THIS SECTION SHOWS A PROFITABLE YIELD

Francis C. Nicholas, Ph. D., of New York, who was in Tampa several days investigating the possibilities of castor oil beans raised in this section as a commercial product, left Saturday night following experiments he made in connection with the local board of trade.

At the request of the board of trade samples of castor oil beans were submitted from several sections for the consideration of Dr. Nicholas, and in his report Dr. Nicholas used four of these specimens.

Seeds submitted by L. Wightman, of Tampa, was pronounced by the expert as having a low oil constituent, which would indicate that the seed would not show up favorably in pressing.

Specimens submitted by H. M. Burnett, of Balm, were pronounced the ordinary seed from which castor oil is extracted, the oil constituent was present in full proportion and in a condition for favorable extraction by any of the usual methods.

Seeds sent by T. R. Thompson, of San Antonio, were of the same character as those of Mr. Burnett, though the oil constituent was not so high.

P. J. Hunt, R. F. D. 1, Tampa, submitted specimens which were not familiar to Dr. Nicholas, but following tests the expert was of the opinion that favorable results could be obtained.

The oil from the castor oil bean is obtained by crushing and then boiling, though this method is wasteful. Dr. Nicholas recommended that the seed be cleaned, crushed, boiled or steamed, and then pressed. He said that at many farms in Florida the oil could be made by the crude methods used in countries farther south. The product should be shipped to a central refinery to be prepared for commercial use.

HEAVY MOVEMENT OF TROOPS TAXES CAPACITY OF RAILROADS.

Washington, D. C.—Troop movement figures to date indicate that the railroads of this country have safely transported approximately 1,500,000 soldiers to training camps and embarkation points since August 1st, according to a statement just made public by Chairman Fairfax Harrison, of the Railroad War Board. Five hundred thousand of these men have made journeys necessitating overnight travel and have been moved in tourist or standard sleepers furnished by the Pullman Company.

On one of the long hauls, 8,000 men were moved from a training camp on the western coast to a point on the eastern coast, a distance of 3,700 miles in a little less than a week. The men traveled in sixteen sections, each section comprising 12 tourist and 2 baggage cars.

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TOURISTS COMING TO FLORIDA BY HUNDREDS

DR. MUNCH LOOKS FOR A BIG SEASON

Returns From Extensive Tour During Which He Attended Big Shrine Ceremonial.

Dr. C. A. Munch has returned from an extensive trip through Ohio, Michigan, Canada, New York state and the New England states and says business is on the boom everywhere. The "war" causes little or no setback to business, in fact hardly noticeable. Food prices are as high or higher than in Tampa. During the sugar scare it was almost impossible for one week, to get sugar in Buffalo or New York City, and when available could get only one or two pounds. Apples and potatoes had reached the highest price ever known in this country. The weather was the coldest fall in many, many years, which is causing an early rush of people to Florida and more talk than usual about the "land of sunshine and flowers," and glorious climate of Florida. On account of the scarcity and high price of coal, Florida can expect a big tourist season.

St. Petersburg, Miami, Palm Beach and Daytona are talked of most, while Tampa is hardly mentioned, due no doubt to lack of advertising. The Gasparilla and fair were considered good attractions and drawing cards. He said that he had shoveled snow three weeks ago in Buffalo that was three inches deep. He visited the noted Shrine's Ceremonial in Detroit, November 2. There were 409 candidates. A voluntary contribution of more than \$2,000 was given for the orphans of Detroit, and Moslem Temple has invested \$5,000 in Liberty bonds, all of which gives an idea of the wealth and spirit of the Shriners of Detroit. Dr. Munch said that while he had a good time on his vacation he is glad to get back to Tampa and sunshine.

Regarding the tourist outlook Dr. Munch clipped the following article from the Detroit Journal of November the 3rd:

"The war does not seem to be affecting in any way Detroiters who plan winter touring.

"In dictations are that even more people from Michigan will motor south this year than last, according to reports from the Detroit Automobile Club, which has been furnishing routes for a score or more of motorists each week. During the past week this number was exceeded.

"Florida seems to be the spot picked as the winter Mecca by Michigan motorists. A few people are leaving each week for California. There are two reasons why Florida is chosen. One is that it is much closer and the improvement work on the Dixie Highway has caused more people to make the trip by motor car. The other is that hundreds of miles of bad road are encountered in crossing the continent.

"All Florida tourists are being sent by way of Cincinnati, Georgetown (Ky.), Louisville, Elizabethtown, Nashville, Tenn.; Huntsville, Ala.; Gadsden, Rome, Ga.; Atlanta, Waycross and Jacksonville, Fla. The roads between Nashville and Chattanooga necessitate the trip through Alabama, because the work that was planned has not been finished across Tennessee.—Tampa Tribune.

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A Fine Essay by a Farming Girl

MISS FANNIE VIERS WINS OVER MANY WRITERS

Tells of Experiences in Gardening. All of Which Will Prove Beneficial To Older Folks.

The Times presents below an essay, "My Farm," written by Miss Fannie Viers, a successful girl agriculturist of Seffner, which won from the home economics department of the national and state departments of agriculture the first prize—a two weeks short course at the State College for Women, also a gold watch offered by Mrs. Okla. Painter Williams of Jacksonville. Instead of taking the short course, Miss Viers accepted \$30 cash, which will be applied to payment of her tuition at the summer school at the college next summer. She is preparing herself to teach, already having secured a second grade certificate. She won the prize over many able contestants.

The article is submitted by Miss Isabelle Story, county agent, who is justly proud of gardening and canning club producing the results and their number is steadily increasing.

The essay of Miss Viers follows:

My Garden

Does anyone hesitate to do anything when they know it will be a benefit to them? Not often, unless they have the "don't cares" or it is impossible for them to do it. My reasons for joining the canning club are several, namely—the experience to be acquired, to learn better methods in farming and to learn how to convert surplus products of the farm and orchard into useful food products. Lastly, for the simple pleasure in having something to do.

Although some folks said that my plot did well last year, I was not satisfied with it myself. It was high muck land, and as the season was very dry, the plot suffered greatly for water. Although the yield was very good, the fruit was attacked by a dry rot, mostly caused from lack of moisture, and therefore my profit was greatly lowered.

In order to avoid that this year I rented a piece of low muck land for my garden. It was good soil that had been farmed about seven years, but, to my disappointment, was near a draining ditch and drain well. This was bad in dry weather, as much of the moisture is drained away, but the man I rented from did not want to cut his field up and have my plot in the middle of it.

As I wished an early crop and my one-tenth acre was only rented for six months, I began work immediately. The plot was first cut over with a disc harrow and followed immediately with a plow, plowing about eight inches deep. About three weeks later my garden was harrowed with a spike-tooth harrow to make the soil mellow and to break up clods. A few days later the plot was bedded up into beds about three and a half feet apart with a water furrow between each. A furrow was then opened in the middle of each bed and a handful of fertilizer placed in hills two feet apart. This was mixed well with the soil with a potato rake.

For fertilizer I used E. O. Painter's 3 per cent Tomato Special, a commercial fertilizer analyzing 3 per cent potash, 5 per cent ammonia and 6 per cent phosphoric acid. I used only 25 pounds at the first application.

I had some trouble in raising my plants. I planted three varieties, the "June Pink," the "Livingston's Globe" and the packet of "Stone" provided the department of agriculture. The seeds were sown out in the open in a well fertilized seed bed about the first of February. The weather was slightly cool, but not until the plants were up did the weather get severe. On frosty nights I covered them over with fine straw, but one night the frost was a little more severe than usual, and some of the plants were killed. I replanted where the plants had been killed and watched over them and took care of them, for on these depended my garden. Although the plants were small, I decided to set them on my plot before an other freeze came and destroyed them. So I, with the help of my brother, set the greatest part of them out one evening after school. This was March 17, or the same day the plot was fertilized. Two days later the rest were set out, just in time, too, for a freeze that night killed all the plants that were left and a few on the upper end of the plot. The plants did not start growing very gingerly, for what could grow well during such cold weather?

In order to protect them from cutworms I made a mixture of Paris green and shorts and old syrup, which I scattered around the plants. So the cutworms did not get the start of me. But some of the plants were missing (thanks to the freeze), and I had no plants to replant with. It was then

that I decided to plant a double crop. Some folks told me that it was not a good idea and that it would injure my tomatoes. Well, perhaps it did, but I was determined. I bought a quart of Longfellow beans at the seed store, and when the tomatoes were well started, planted a hill of beans between each tomato plant. By this time the weather was a little warmer and there were no more severe frosts after the beans were. Then a neighbor had some good plants he had no use for and gave them to me, and I replanted my garden. I then had my brother plow my garden with a 14-inch sweep. I then went over my garden, immediately and hoed the tomatoes and beans thoroughly.

When the tomato plants began blooming I gave them a second application of fertilizer, using 25 pounds of commercial 2-6-4 fertilizer. A few hard frosts came, but the garden began to grow rapidly.

As I intended to stake my tomatoes I began pruning them as soon as the suckers began to appear. They received their first pruning April 5th. There is not much work to do the first pruning when they begin to grow rapidly then one must prune them often. I kept all the branches trimmed off except the first one below the first blossom, leaving two main stalks to bear fruit. I staked the greater part of my tomatoes on April 9th, using the same stakes I used last year. But there were not quite enough and it was towards the end of the month before I got more stakes and finished staking. As the plants grew I kept them pruned and tied to the stakes. They should have had more hoeing, but I was busy picking strawberries, going to school between times, and hadn't much time except after school and sometimes on Saturdays. But I did give them two more good hoeings.

The tomatoes began blooming about April 5th, and the fruit soon began to set on. The beans began to bloom at about the same time, and by May 14 were ready to pick. The first picking yielded 150 pounds, or five bushels. I was proud of this, my first crop. When canned they made 90 No. 3 cans.

But I was very much interested in my tomatoes. Although I had to neglect them much, I spent all of my spare time caring for them. The weather had begun to get very dry, and, as I surmised, the drain well took away a lot of the moisture.

I did not have much trouble with insect pests until a band of striped beetles (they call them "racers") took it into their heads to camp in my tomato patch. They gnawed and gnawed on the lower leaves of the tomato plants until I suspect they almost burst (greedy! greedy!) and then hid under my bean vines. But I got revenge on them. I killed all I could find. In this way I soon got rid of them. When my tomatoes began to mature, one corner of my patch (the one next the ditch) began to show signs of wilt. The lower leaves of some of the plants began to turn yellow, and then the tops began to wilt rapidly. I pulled up all affected plants and carried them out of the plot, and I also gave the plot a good hoeing, making a dust mulch. This lessened it a little.

I picked my first ripe fruit May 21. Not a very large picking at first, but they soon began to ripen rapidly. Then the work began. We were kept busy canning nearly every day for almost two months. Of course this was not all from my garden; we did much canning for other folks—canning corn, beans, tomatoes and cowpeas. I fed all of the partly decayed ripe tomatoes to the chickens, thus saving a waste product. We had good weather until toward the last of the season. Then rainy weather set in, which ruined most of the tomatoes for canning. The tomatoes lasted on until the first of June. But the last crops were so bad we got few for canning. The beans ended about the same time, and so ended a busy season.

My garden has yielded 1,805 pounds of tomatoes and 377 pounds of green beans. Seven hundred and eighty-seven pounds of these were beans used at home. From my garden I have canned 100 No. 3 cans of beans, 156 No. 3 cans of tomatoes, and 215 No. 2 cans of tomatoes. But this is not all my yield. I sold five and one-half bushels, which brought me \$1.25 apiece. I have made several kinds of jellies, preserves and marmalades. Besides this I have helped several other families to get started in canning and have enjoyed the work immensely.

My garden has cost me \$36.02, allowing 10c an hour for my own work, and my total receipts are \$101.00. My net profit for the year is \$65.88. It is indeed worth while to do one's best, whatever be the task.

The club work has helped me in a great many ways, and I have learned many things, which, had it not been for the club work, I might have never learned. I think it is the duty of every one with whom it is possible to at least grow a garden. The club work has indeed helped me and certainly I have enjoyed the work.

FANNY VIERS.

CATTS COMMITTED TO A SHIP CANAL

SAYS HE'LL GO TO WASHINGTON AND ASK FOR IT

Favors Improving Caloosahatchee—Is Given a Great Ovation at Ft. Myers

Governor Catts, members of the Internal Improvement Board and Chief Drainage Engineer Elliott arrived in Ft. Myers on the 19th and were given, according to the governor, the most courteous, kindest and hospitable reception they ever experienced in the state of Florida.

The governor and party were met at the train by a reception committee composed of the mayor, city officials, officers and members of the board of trade, a large part of the city's population, including nearly 1,500 school children with bouquets of flowers strewn the way. They were taken to the

Bradford Hotel, where the governor and members of the Internal Improvement Board lunched.

At the train Miss Lillian Gilliam very gracefully pinned on the governor and each of the members of his cabinet boutonnieres and ribbons imprinted "Dam the Caloosahatchee and save Fort Myers."

The governor was deeply touched by the children's parade, and shook hands with about a thousand of the youthful paraders.

After luncheon an auto trip was made past the winter homes and groves of Thomas A. Edison and Henry Ford to the new golf course, after which the governor witnessed a school children's parade, reviewed a drill by the Boy Scouts and the high school boys and girls, in which they performed most excellently.

Governor Favors Cross-State Ship Canal.

In speeches made by the governor and members of the Internal Improvement Board, they all favored a speedy construction of the temporary locks in the upper Caloosahatchee river. The governor went further by saying that he favored a cross-state ship canal for sea-going vessels and that before long he would go to Washington and push it with all the power at his command and that "Catts generally gets what he goes after."

Later in the evening he reiterated that part of his speech by adding that "with the help of God I will not turn loose this project till flags of nations enter the St. Lucie Canal, breast the waves across the great lake Okeechobee and pass down the beautiful Caloosahatchee on to Fort Myers and to the Gulf of Mexico."

At the dinner given by the board of trade in honor of the governor and his party toasts were given and speeches made.

The state executive received several enthusiastic demonstrations throughout his stay here. The governor and party, together with Fort Myers delegates, visited Moore Haven, en route to the Inland Deeper Waterways convention at Miami.

SICKNESS AT CAMP WHEELER

There are eleven camps or cantonments in the United States east of the Mississippi river. From Camp Devens, at Ayer, Mass., on down and around the coast to Hattiesburg, Miss. One of these eleven is Camp Wheeler, at Macon.

The Georgia papers have been more or less caustic in their criticism of the Florida press for their uneasiness concerning the sickness at Camp Wheeler; but when the figures of the surgeon general's report of sickness in camps for the week ending November 9 is taken and compared there seems some room for our uneasiness and comment.

Leaving out Camp Wheeler at Macon, the other ten camps show a sick percentage per thousand men of 18.01.

The highest percentage of sickness in the ten is at Camp Shelby, Hattiesburg, Miss., where the rate is 38.7.

The lowest percentage rate for the ten is at Camp Meade, Annapolis Junction, Md., with its 7.6.

The rate at Camp Wheeler at Macon is 61.2.

Is it necessary to make further comment?

In this report is also found the interesting facts that in the North, at Ayer, Mass., the sick rate is 11.9; and at Yaphank, L. I., the rate is 11.0.

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VETS ASSOCIATION

The Veterans Association met December 1st, 1917. President Kenney presided over promptly at 2 p. m. Prayer by Chaplain Wescott.

Reading minutes of last meeting by Secretary Brown. A song by Prof. L. H. Brown.

Addressed to rostrum and introduced as follows: Mr. Miles Phelps, with his four year old son, who came here to visit his parents and will remain, but wants work. Comrade C. E. S. Cooper, a come-backer and a former member of the 13th Iowa, of the famous Crocker Brigade; Comrade Geo. W. Waltman, 72nd Ind. Infy., of the mounted Wilder Brigade; Mrs. Adaline, of Minneapolis, who said she thanked her Heavenly Father she was able to be with us.

Comrade Watson, 11th Illinois, who found a regimental comrade in D. P. Perry, of the Graystone building; Glendian Gilston, a grand-daughter of Rev. Wescott, who said she was thankful to be here enjoying this fine weather. Mrs. Wescott, having just returned, gave an interesting talk on work and needs of Red Cross and the needs of soldier boys. She also told of some who are coming here and of others who want to come. The President called for collection for hall, which amounted to \$6.16. A very large grapefruit donated by Mrs. Hart, was auctioned off and sold for 50 cents. Reading notice of articles lost and found.

The meeting was given over to Comrade Sill, in charge of the program for the social hour. The first was a fancy dance by a young girl, Miss Miller, Mr. Lamb at the piano. Encored, and gave a second one.

A recitation by Miss Josie Cathcart. Musical trio, Mrs. R. Taylor, Josie Cathcart and Miss Edith Harrod.

A comic recitation by Miss Golda Grove.

Music by Comrades Worral and Sill with banjo and pair of bones.

Ruck and wing dance by Peterson brothers.

The blind young man, Mr. Hutton Tillis, with banjo and Mr. Sill with bones.

Comrade Sill worked faithfully to have a good entertainment and it was better than the average, although some who were to take part failed to be on hand and was a very great disappointment to Comrade Sill. But the audience enjoyed every selection and encored every one and could be heard saying to each other "It was a grand entertainment." Audience stood and sang "The Star Spangled Banner" and adjourned.

J. L. BROWN, Secretary.

W. C. T. U. NOTES

A very interesting meeting was held at the Baptist church last Monday. By the way, the W. C. T. U. meets regularly at the Baptist church the first and third Monday of each month.

Mrs. Metzgar had the program and her talk was not only interesting but very instructive also.

We can but wonder at the lack of interest taken in this great prohibition movement by many of our women. Who knows better than the white ribbons why there were so many of our young men who answered "the nation's call pronounced unfit. Alcoholic drinks and vices and cigarettes are not conducive to strong body and clear thinking.

Among the nation's greatest needs are efficiency and conservation. The government wants, yes, demands young men who are strong, clean, vigorous, trained in mind and body; men who can endure.

In an address before the clinical congress of North America, in Chicago, Secretary Daniels said: "There is not an army in the field whose effectiveness is not reduced by reason of immoral disease; the navy suffers likewise, and business halts because venereal diseases destroy the manhood of workmen and fathers."

As for that big word "conservation," which has become almost a household fixture, it does not apply to food alone, but to efforts and energies as well, conserving our brain and body power.

Now a monster petition bearing over 20,000,000 names awaits the president and congress at the opening of the present session, asking for national prohibition.

A year ago Florida had 44 dry and 56

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF ST. CLOUD, FLORIDA, WILL RECEIVE BIDS FOR THE ENGINEERING OF WATER AND SEWER EXTENSIONS (TITLE OF EXTENSION ELSEWHERE IN THIS PAPER) BIDS TO BE OPENED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 10TH, 1917, AT 10 A. M. BIDS WILL BE REQUIRED OF SUCCESSFUL BIDDER.

JOHN COLLINS, City Inspector.

NOTICE FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the city council of St. Cloud, Florida, will receive bids for the engineering of water and sewer extensions (title of extension elsewhere in this paper) bids to be opened at the regular meeting of the council on Monday, December 10th, 1917, at 10 a. m. Bids will be required of successful bidder.

FRED B. KENNEY, City Clerk.

St. Cloud, Florida.

NOTICE FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the city council of St. Cloud, Florida, will receive bids for the furnishing of material and construction of approximately 10,000 feet six-inch sewer lines, approximately 6,000 feet eight-inch sewer lines, with necessary tees, double Y's and crosses for intersections, and lamp holes approximately 40,000 feet three and four-inch water extensions, a list of which will be supplied on request. Bids will be received for material and construction to be made in cash or in assignment certificates.

FRED B. KENNEY, City Clerk.

St. Cloud, Florida.

NOTICE FOR BIDS

In Circuit Court, Seventh Judicial Circuit, State of Florida, Ocala County, C. T. Miller, complainant, vs. South Florida Inter-urban Railway Company, Respondent. Foreclosure of Lien.

It appearing by affidavit of W. B. Crawford, appended to the Bill filed in above cause, that South Florida Inter-urban Railway Company is a corporation under the laws of the State of Arizona, and that its principal place of business in Phoenix, Arizona, and that there is no person within the State of Florida service of subpoena upon whom would bind said respondent; it is therefore ordered that said respondent be and it hereby is required to appear to the bill and to the complaint filed in said cause on or before January, the 7th day of January, A. D. 1918, and to answer the bill and complaint.

It is further ordered that the bill and complaint be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the St. Cloud Tribune, a weekly newspaper published in St. Cloud, Ocala County, Florida.

Dated November 14th, 1917.
J. L. OVERSTREET, Clerk Circuit Court.

W. B. CRAWFORD, Attorney for Complainant.

NOTICE OF MANTER'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of final decree of foreclosure, entered out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for Ocala County, in Chancery sitting, in a certain cause therein pending wherein the complainant, and a municipal corporation, is complainant, and the State of Florida, the undersigned as Special Master in Chancery, will sell at public outcry during the last hour of sale before the Court House door in the city of Kissimmee, in said County of Ocala and State of Florida, on Monday the 7th day of January, A. D. 1918, the following described real estate situate in said Ocala County, Florida:

Lot 1 of block 171, according to plat of the City of St. Cloud, recorded among the public records of said county, in the name of G. P. GARRITY.

Dated November 28th, 1917, at Kissimmee, Fla.
W. B. CRAWFORD, Solicitor for Complainant.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that Cyrus Phelan, purchaser of Tax Certificate Number 827, dated the 1st day of July, A. D. 1915, has filed said certificate in my office and has made application for a tax deed to jump in accordance with law. Said certificate contains the following description of property, situated in Ocala County, Florida, to-wit: Lot 6, block 75, St. Cloud. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of said certificate in the name of A. L. Utz. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1918.

J. L. OVERSTREET, Clerk Circuit Court Ocala County, Fla.

In Circuit Court for the Seventh Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for Ocala County, Civil action, Jesse Hill, joined by her husband, F. W. Hill, plaintiff, vs. Frederick L. Woodham, defendant. Assumpsit: damages \$1,000.

To Frederick L. Woodham, Horseshoe House, King's Somborne, Hampshire, England, and all others whom it may concern:

It appearing by return of the sheriff upon the summons issued in this case that you are a non-resident of the State of Florida and that you are a resident of Horseshoe House, King's Somborne, Hampshire, England, and plaintiff applying to this court for a notice of institution of this suit, directed to you, to be published according to law, you are hereby notified that the above suit was instituted in the above court on the 4th day of December, A. D. 1917, the same being a suit in assumpsit claiming damages in the amount of \$1,000, and carrying with it garnishment directed to W. B. Crawford, and you are hereby ordered to appear in said suit on or before the March Rules, A. D. 1918, namely the 1st day of March, A. D. 1918, and to answer the bill and complaint. It is further ordered that this order be published in the St. Cloud Tribune, a weekly newspaper published and of general circulation, the cover of which is a State of Florida, once a week for two months. Witness the Honorable James W. Perkins, as Judge of said Court, and as same is Clerk thereof, and the seal of said Court at Kissimmee, Ocala County, Florida, on this 4th day of December, A. D. 1917.

J. L. OVERSTREET, As Clerk of said Court.

(Circuit Court Seal.)

wet counties. Now there are 54 counties, and only 6 wet. The legislature created two new counties—Flagler and Okechobee. Flagler was made from a part of St. Johns county, so by our laws it was wet. But at the election in September, it was voted dry, 80 for to 8 against.

The local unions are the unit power in this great work. When they co-operate they form a mighty force for righteousness, education, patriotism, high principles, character building and good citizenship.

WESTMINSTER CIRCLE

The Westminster Circle held a very pleasant meeting with Mrs. Sillas Cooke, corner of 8th street and Michigan avenue Tuesday of last week.

Twenty-five were present. Busy fingers kept time with busy tongues, as plans were made and committees were formed for the bazaar this week.

It is the hope of the Circle at the bazaar to lift the balance of the pledge made toward the manne fund last spring. Six new members were received. After refreshments, adjournment was made to meet with Mrs. Perkins.

Business Getters

LITTLE ADS THAT PAY BIG

Classified advertisements five cents per line (eight point type, count six words to the line). Payable in advance. No advertisements will be charged for less than 25 cents.

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE—15 acres citrus and truck land close in. C. D. Blood, St. Cloud, Fla. 11t

FOR SALE—Farm of 14 acres, one mile from St. Cloud, Fla. Located on Runnymede Lake and the Dixie Highway; small bungalow barn, poultry houses, two large banana groves, mulberry trees, pine apples, strawberries, lovely garden land, citrus fruit trees, also small nursery. Natural hay, abundance of shade and flowers. Selling at a sacrifice on account of owner's departure. 12-4tp

FOR SALE—At your offer, lot 24, block 62 (corner), and lot 87 (5 acres), Section 33, T. 26, R. 31, bid to Jack Laux, San Antonio, Fla. 15-1t

FOR SALE—At Fellsmere, Fla., center of Indian River orange section, large lot in best part of town, and five-acre tract, cleared, broken and hog-fenced. This is true citrus land. Artesian water under all Fellsmere. Modern town, fully equipped. Sociable northern people; splendid school. Permanent or winter residence. Grove on the five acres will support entire investment. J. P. Stevens, Kissimmee, Fla. 15-4t

FOR SALE—Lot northwest corner of Pennsylvania avenue and 15th street. Also lot 15, block 195. Write at once, giving your best offer. C. E. Barr, R. D. 4, Dayton, Ohio. 15-4t

FOR SALE—Lots 9 and 10, block 219; lots 2 and 3, block 407. All desirable lots. Inquire of S. W. Porter or A. M. Ash, Ohio avenue, between 10th and 11th streets. 15-3tp

FOR SALE—Farm, 7½ acres, within walking distance of St. Cloud, Fla. Located on Runnymede Lake and new Dixie Highway, suitable for trucking, poultry raising, etc. Good 5 room house, furnished, newly painted. Large screened-in porch, poultry house, barn, horse, buggy and harness. Lake pier, bath house, large shade trees, all fenced. Price reasonable. Mrs. L. M. Flood, St. Cloud, Florida. 12-4tp

FOR SALE—100 acres, ready for the plow; house of 7 rooms; large barn; ¼ mile of church; 3 stores; postoffice; depot; one crop should pay for it; fine opportunity for subdivision. E. L. Eames, St. Cloud. 15-4t

FOR SALE—HOUSES

FOR SALE—One 1½ story house, 2 lots; also one corner lot and one five-acre tract. Address Box 607. 11-1t

SCRAWNY CALVES

What makes a calf scrawny—off its feed? Germs—parasites—in the intestines. Why not free them of this trouble? If you will give the calf some B. A. Thomas Stock Remedy in its feed, within a week you will see it brighten up and in four or five weeks you won't know the calf. Costs you but a few cents and we will refund that if it doesn't do as we say. —H. C. Hartley. 15-4t

OHIO ASSOCIATION

The December meeting of the Ohio Association will be held in G. A. R. Hall Wednesday, the 12th inst., at 2 o'clock p. m.

This being the annual meeting, election of officers will be the order of the day.

All Ohio people are cordially invited to attend.

The announcement given at the Veterans' Association that there would be a banquet at this time was a mistake, as no plans have been made for such an event.

By order of the President.

SARAH A. MATHEWS, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Finicle are spending today in Kissimmee.

FOR SALE—HOUSES

FOR SALE—St. Cloud Bath House. Beautiful lake; beautiful location; 26 lockers; 4-room living apartment, recently repainted and remodeled. Present owner must leave February 1st. Good business the year around. Will sell for cash at a sacrifice or trade for property of equal value. Come and see me or address Myda Wimpy, St. Cloud, Fla. 6t

FOR SALE—A bargain. A two-story residence located on 4th and 11th streets. Three city lots in the plot; the house has four rooms and attic large enough to make three up-stairs rooms; well water; 9 fruit trees. Cash price, \$1,200. Apply "Bargain," Care of the Tribune. 2t

FOR SALE—At your offer, lot 24, block 62 (corner), and lot 87 (5 acres), Section 33, T. 26, R. 31, bid to Jack Laux, San Antonio, Fla. 15-1t

FOR SALE—Excellent upright piano. Inquire Box 200, City. 6t

FOR SALE—Two shares First National Bank. Apply to A. E. Drought, St. Cloud Real Estate Exchange. 6t

FOR SALE—Six per cent gift edge, payable semi-annually. Apply to Arthur E. Donegan, St. Cloud, Fla. 6t

FOR SALE—Good work horse. Apply Edd George, at the ice factory. 6t

PLANTS READY to sell for the winter garden; onions, lettuce, collard, cabbage and other vegetables. Call 7th and Ky. Ave. J. W. Smith. 12-4t

FOR SALE—Furniture for light housekeeping; prices right. Call at Seventh and Kentucky avenue. Mrs. Ethel Pyrlis. 13-4t

FOR SALE—Horse, wagon and harness, or separate. 624 Massachusetts avenue. 15-1t

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Two furnished cottages, one with three rooms, pantry and closet; one 4-room and portable pantry. Write E. A. Bardwell, St. Cloud, Fla. 2t

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping. 631 Pennsylvania avenue, corner 4th street. Two blocks from lake. Mrs. W. B. Rudi. 15-1t

HOUSE TO RENT—Well furnished, No. 402 Carolina avenue, between 13th and 14th streets. Call on or address Mrs. E. M. Mitchell, corner Virginia avenue and 14th street. 15-1t

STORE ROOM FOR RENT

Two store rooms for rent on 10th street, facing the north. Block 165. Address Postoffice Box 286. 15-1t

WANTED

WANTED TO RENT—Furnished cottage of three or four rooms; must be comfortably furnished. State location and rental in first letter if you want consideration. Address "Cottage," care of Tribune. 8-1t

WANTED TO RENT—A piano for six months. State price and make of piano. Address "Music" care of the Tribune. 7-4t

WANTED—At once, a woman to do housework for two people. Apply to Dr. Cushman. 15-1t

SITUATION WANTED—MALE

SITUATION WANTED—Let me do your garden work, clean up lots of flower yards. J. H. Mosley, Minnesota avenue and 15th street. 14-1t

LOST

LOST—Fountain pen. Not a costly one, but valued very highly as a gift. If you will return to Tribune office will pay suitable reward. 15-2t

RE-ESTABLISHMENT

Tampa Special

November 26th, South-bound—November 27th North-bound.

Southbound No. 91 Daily	Stops only at points where time is shown.	Northbound No. 92 Daily
9:15 am Lv	Jacksonville	Ar 7:30 pm
10:44 am Ar	Palatka	Lv 5:54 pm
12:38 pm Ar	Sanford	Lv 4:05 pm
1:20 pm Ar	Orlando	Lv 3:22 pm
1:51 pm Ar	Kissimmee	Lv 2:52 pm
3:07 pm Ar	Lakeland	Lv 1:38 pm
3:26 pm Ar	Plant City	Lv 1:20 pm
4:00 pm Ar	Tampa	Lv 12:45 pm

Observation Cars—Droller-Buffer-Parlor Cars. Standard Coaches—Free Reclining Chair Cars. EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 27TH. TRAIN NO. 80 WILL LEAVE TAMPA AT 10:30 A. M.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Standard Railroad of the South